



The President's Volunteer Service Award (PVSA) is issued by the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation on behalf of the President of the United States. It is given to recognize the best in American spirit, and to encourage all Americans to improve their communities through volunteer service and civic participation. The Award is given to individuals that have demonstrated outstanding volunteer service and civic participation over the course of a 12-month period.

- Examples of volunteer activities can include but are not limited to:
- Helping Youth: mentoring, coaching, tutoring or helping young people engage in academic improvement Environmental
- Awareness: helping with neighborhood cleanups and/or or volunteering to help conserve and protect parks and keep our waters clean
- Community Involvement: helping the elderly, hungry or homeless in our community, lending a hand at places such as the Humane Society or volunteering at Vacation Bible School

Other volunteer service hours can count toward PVSA, as long as a student does not receive compensation (monetary or otherwise).

Volunteer time spent with other organizations such as Scouting, PALs, or NJHS can also count toward PVSA. Activities involving babysitting or working with immediate family members such as younger siblings does not count toward your volunteer service.

The PVSA collection time for your service hours is April 1, 2017 – March 31, 2018. Any service done during this time period can be logged.

Your hours must be logged by midnight March 31, 2018. The Tex Hill PTSA is requiring that all hours be logged online by visiting www.presidentialserviceawards.gov.

Please see the second page of this document for the online instructions. All Tex Hill Middle School students are eligible and encouraged to participate.

There are three levels of awards:
BRONZE – at least 50 service hours
SILVER – 75-99 service hours
GOLD – 100 or more service hours

The award includes a certificate and a letter from the President of the United States. Students who receive a President's Volunteer Service Award will be recognized by the school and Tex Hill PTSA at the end of school awards ceremony.