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## What are you going to do with your four years in high school?

You have **endless potential** and the IMPACT Chandler Scholars program invites you to **challenge yourself and inspire others**...

- -through your academics (grades!)
- -through your attendance (show up!)
- -through your dedication to improving the world around us (community service!)



## What is IMPACT Chandler Scholars (ICS)?

- ICS is a recognition reward program for Chandler Unified School District high school students.
- ICS Scholars who complete the program demonstrate academic excellence, exemplary attendance, and a commitment to service in their community.
- ICS Scholars are prepared academically to succeed in college while embracing what it means to be a committed and active citizen in the community.



## What do I have to do to become an IMPACT Chandler Scholar?

By April 1st of your senior year you must...

- Achieve a cumulative GPA of 3.4 or higher
- Achieve an overall 95% or higher attendance rate
- Complete at least 100 hours of community service after enrolling in ICS and prior to April 1<sup>st</sup> of your senior year.
  (35 of those hours must be done prior to starting your junior year).



## What community service is all about...

- ... Are there things that you want to change in the world around you?
- ...Are there people in your community that you wish you could help?
- ...Do you ever hear a story on the news and think "Someone needs to do something about this?"



Community service means giving some of your time and talent to serve the needs of others and make a difference.

It involves being active in your community and helping those less fortunate or who are facing obstacles.

"Be the change you wish to see in the world". - Mahatma Gandhi



### Examples of how YOU can make a difference with community service...

- Volunteer at the Chandler CARE Center
- Assembling care packages for our troops
- Collecting canned goods for a food drive
- Walking dogs and cleaning kennels at an animal shelter
- Starting a community garden for a food bank
- Volunteering with a local fundraising event

The possibilities are endless...



Service through a religious organization must benefit a broader community and be performed outside of a religious organization's grounds. Any community service done through a religious organization that involves religious instruction or teaching will not be accepted.

i.e., Vacation Bible School



## For community service ideas, check out the following websites:

www.ChandlerEdFoundation.org

www.VolunteerMatch.org

www.DoSomething.org



www.Forourcity.org

#### How do I sign up for ICS?

You can ONLY sign up as a freshman during the open enrollment period!

**OPEN ENROLLMENT 2017** 

(October 23<sup>rd</sup> – November 6<sup>th</sup>)

After November 6<sup>th</sup> enrollment in the program will not be allowed!



#### The Student Participation Commitment Form

- Fill it out with your parents.
- E-mail addresses MUST be provided as this is the primary source of communication.
- Make sure both you and a parent sign the form.
- Turn it in by Monday, November 6<sup>th</sup>.

WHITE COPY- Counselor will collect YELLOW COPY- **Student keeps** for their records



#### Once you are enrolled...

- Start completing community service hours. All hours must be documented on an ICS Community Service Activity Form.
- 35 of your service hours must be completed, documented, and submitted to CEF <u>prior</u> to the first day of your junior year. This is very important and no exceptions will be made to this deadline.
- 100 total service hours must be completed by April 1<sup>st</sup> of your senior year.



All community service hours that are turned in to CEF will be logged into Infinite Campus for your review.

Communication from CEF will be via Infinite Campus.



#### A quick review...

- Sign and submit the Student Participation Commitment Form during the open enrollment period
- You must attend a CUSD high school all four years and graduate from a CUSD high school
- Achieve a cumulative GPA of 3.4 or higher
- Achieve a cumulative attendance rate of 95% or higher
- Participate in 100 hours of community service by April 1<sup>st</sup> of your senior year (35 of those hours must be completed and turned in before the first day of your junior year)
- Service hours must be documented on ICS Community Service Activity Forms.



# What happens if I meet all of the criteria and become an IMPACT Chandler Scholar?

Besides an orange cord you will be given to wear at your graduation ceremony...

- you will have the distinguished honor of being an ICS Scholar, and this will be noted in your graduation program
- you will be eligible to apply for a competitive ICS scholarship worth \$1,000 during the spring of your senior year.



## If you become an ICS Scholar your senior year, you are eligible to apply for a competitive \$1,000 scholarship

Your senior year, you will be asked to complete a short scholarship essay discussing your volunteer experiences



#### The low down...

ICS Scholarship recipients will be chosen based on who best illustrates remarkable service in their community.

The number of scholarships that will be awarded depends on the amount of funds that CEF has available to award that year.



By challenging and committing yourself to academic excellence as well as meaningful community service opportunities, you will enable your own bright future!

