

The President's Volunteer Service Award at VHHS

Criteria - Individuals that meet the following criteria are eligible for the PVSA:

- **Recipient must be a United States citizen or a lawfully admitted permanent resident of the United States.**
- Awards are issued for service hours served within a 12-month time period(April 1 – March 31 for VHHS).
- Awards are issued for volunteer service only.
Monetary donations, bringing cans to a food drive, etc. DO NOT count as service hours.
- Court-ordered community service does not qualify for the award.
- Awards are issued by approved Certifying Organizations. VHHS is a Certifying Organization.
- Service must be with an approved Certifying Organization that is legally established in the United States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico or one of the U.S. territories.

For Example: Any service done with a club or other organization at VHHS counts toward your PVSA hours.

Service hours completed with other organizations (your religious institution, Scouts, the McWane Center, the Birmingham Zoo, etc.) DO NOT count toward your PVSA hours. Please direct any questions about service hour eligibility to Ms. Sutherland sutherlandjl@vestavia.k12.al.us.

Awards

Hours are measured over a 12-month period and awards are designated based on cumulative hours. The awards are offered in multiple levels and are designed to recognize each milestone of your service achievement. Levels include bronze, silver, gold.

Hours by Award	Bronze	Silver	Gold
Teens (11–15)	50 – 74	75 – 99	100 +
Young Adults (16-25)	100 – 174	175 – 249	250 +

How to Apply

1. Print and complete the **Record of Service With VHHS** document. All service hours must be documented with appropriate signatures in order to be counted for the PVSA.
2. Bring your completed Record of Service to Ms. Sutherland (A126) by March 31.