

Cinco Ranch High School

Cougars Achieving Through Service

The “Portrait of a Katy ISD Graduate” encourages certain knowledge and traits be instilled into every student. When CRHS Cougars graduate, the goal is for them to enter society as well-educated, conscientious citizens. At CRHS, we highlight the importance of giving back to our community through service. “**Cougars Achieving Through Service**” or “**CATS**” is a Cinco Ranch Program designed to achieve this goal. There are no meetings, simply service for our community.

CRHS students participating in the CATS program will:

- Observe that learning takes place everywhere
- Explore learning on their own
- Become active problem solvers and critical thinkers
- Become a resource to our community
- Grow into adults with feelings, values, and beliefs
- Understand that the school as a helpful part of our community
- Understand how the disciplines taught in school integrate into life’s work

Student outcomes for the CATS program include:

- Communication skills
 - Leadership skills
 - Reliable working skills
 - A sense of caring and belonging
 - Awareness of community needs
 - Ability to follow directions
 - Possessing realistic ideas about the workplace
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Cougars Achieving Through Service (CATS) Guidelines

All CRHS students are encouraged to participate in service activities both on our campus at throughout our community. Seniors wear a white honor cord at graduation. All other students receive a certificate of accomplishment. There are no meetings for this Service Honor.

GRADE LEVEL HOUR REQUIREMENTS***

- **Freshman:** 10 hour minimum documented community and/or school service.
- **Sophomore:** 20 hour minimum documented community and/or school service.
- **Junior:** 40 hour minimum documented community and/or school service.
- **Senior:** 60 hour minimum documented community and/or school service, includes white honor cords.

****Documented CRHS campus service that counts toward total hours is limited to 30.*

GENERAL GUIDELINES

- **April 1 to March 31** is the approved timeframe for hours to count toward submission.
- Submit completed packet by the **FIRST FRIDAY IN APRIL** (*Friday, April 1st, 2022 by 2:45 p.m.*) to the appropriate grade level principal.
- Service hours earned through school/community organizations should be logged for this program.
- Hours must be completed outside the student's home unless pre-approved by a grade level principal. No pay can be received for volunteer service hours to be counted on Hour Log.
- Fundraising activities for any school organization will not count as community service.
- **9th, 10th, and 11th** grade students are allowed to receive hours for project grad volunteering.
- **SENIORS** are NOT ALLOWED TO RECEIVE HOURS FROM PROJECT GRAD ACTIVITIES.
- **Allowed:** Church activities completed outside the worship hour, such as teaching Sunday school, babysitting for support groups, working during mission trips, teaching/decorating for vacation bible school, and lights & sound for church events.
- **Not allowed:** Church worship activities during worship hour are not considered community service. Includes singing in the choir, participating on the worship team, and/or playing in a praiseband.
- Travel time is NOT included.
- Supervisor signatures for the HOUR LOG must be from someone other than a family member.
- Any unique circumstances which do not fall under these guidelines may be discussed with the appropriate grade level principal.

SUBMISSION

- **Submit a stapled packet that includes the following:**
 - **Cover sheet** must include the following:
 - a. CATS
 - b. Your name
 - c. Grade level
 - **"CATS Hour Log"** with completed information, see included document for log.
- **Submitted to Grade Level Principal's office before 2:45 p.m. on Friday, April 2nd, 2021**
- **Forms and additional information about volunteer opportunities may be accessed through the Cinco Ranch website at: <http://www.katyisd.org/campus/CRHS>**
 - Click "Student Zone" and select "CATS"
- **Forms and information also available at crhsptsa.org**

CONTACT

- Questions? CRHS PTSA Communications: crhsptsacomm@gmail.com

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COUGARS ACHIEVEING THROUGH SERVICE (CATS)



HOUR LOG

STUDENT NAME: _____

GRADE: _____

Date	Hours	Community Organization or Event	Supervisors Signature/Title (non-family member)	Supervisors Phone #
4/20	4	<i>Junior Volunteer Program, Katy Memorial Hermann Hospital</i>	<i>Jane Doe Volunteer Coordinator</i>	<i>XXX-XXX-XXXX</i>

I certify that I have completed the documented community service hours as listed above.

(Signature)

(Date)

