

# Saint Thomas Academy Senior Projects May 2023 Agency Descriptions

Selection Meeting, Tuesday, March 21

Community Time: 1:05 to 1:50 p.m. in Wright Lecture Hall

## Philosophy and Background

Saint Thomas Academy invites students to cultivate a vital and relevant spirituality through service, reflection, and prayer. The school's goal is to empower students by encouraging them to become servant-leaders who respect others and work for justice and peace. Since this dimension of a student's development is an integral part of its mission, the Academy has a Graduation Requirement of 40 service hours. These usually involve 10 miscellaneous hours completed here at school and 30 hours at an approved agency.

These 40 hours completed throughout junior or senior year, complement this **5-day Senior Project, which is completed during the last week of senior year, where students are mentored in their responsibilities within one of 40 religious, educational, health, or social service agencies.** Through this experience, students gain insight, compassion, communication, and helping skills, while working with inner-city children, senior citizens, the homeless, people dealing with serious health issues, physically and mentally challenged children and adults, and newly arrived neighbors. The Academy hopes that this program will give our graduating students the opportunity to discover the heart of Jesus and live in His spirit forever.

Seniors,

In making your selection, consider the commitment you are making. To choose wisely study and research:

- Agency description: Most agencies will provide an experience for seniors that is a mix of manual labor and resident/child/client contact.
- Transportation ... car pooling
- After school commitment ... check times ... you can't bi-locate.
- Seek information ... don't hesitate to ask questions and, of course, **check websites.**

### Basic Principles of Operating:

1. Each student is to work 5 "six-hour" days. Lunchtime *may* count as time served it may not. It is up to the site supervisor.
2. If a student is ill, he needs to call his agency supervisor and school at STA before 8:00 a.m. The Attendance Office will inform Mr. Hagar and Mr. Seidel. Agency supervisors will be contacting Mr. Seidel directly about any absences or early departures every day.
3. **All absences need to be made up.** The only exception to this "standard of reliability" is when a student is a member of a team that is participating in a conference or section match (not practice) or attending an older sibling's graduation. Students should communicate this well in advance. Other than these excused absences, students will complete any needed "make up" days on May 31, June 1, 2, and 3.

4. Every student is to follow all the rules and policies of the agency concerning attendance, punctuality, appropriate dress, grooming, behavior, and confidentiality. Students are also to meet the STA standard of good appearance while representing the school.
5. The 5 days STA students spend working at service agencies are to be considered school days. Any concerns about the agency, the supervision or the work being done, please direct them to Mr. Seidel.
6. **Do not schedule trips or elective surgery during Senior Projects. Any time missed for these two types of conflicts will need to be made up before graduation.**

#### **Details:**

- 30 hours: 5 days, six hours of service per day:
- Friday, May 19, Monday, May 22- Thursday, May 26
- Friday, May 27, ALL Seniors report to STA from 8:30-11:30 a.m.
- SERVICE MAKE-UP DAYS ARE MAY 31, JUNE 1-3
- See individual agency descriptions for specific start times

**The Wall That Heals project here at STA runs May 25 through Memorial Day, May 29.**

**NEW THIS YEAR ONLY:** We need 6 Seniors to choose The Wall That Heals site here at STA for their service project.

#### **Who qualifies to sign up for and participate in Senior May Projects?**

- Students who have completed their service graduation requirement will participate in Senior Service Projects. This requirement includes:
  - 40 hours of service completed, signed off by site supervisor. Deadline for this requirement is March 8, 2022 or later with Mr. Seidel's permission. MOST students check-in 10 miscellaneous hours (mostly done at school) with Mr. Seidel doing any type of volunteering and then focus their energy on choosing a 30 hour one-site project to finish the requirement.
- ⇒ **Students with disciplinary or attendance/tardy concerns:**

Students on Mr. Hagar's list of disciplinary concerns may not be eligible to participate in Senior Projects

  - These students will have to complete their Senior requirement by May 18. They will then be placed at an agency by Mr. Seidel. They must complete their senior requirement of 40 hours if they are to "walk across the cathedral floor" Thursday evening, June 2, graduation night.
  - Students, who do not qualify for Senior Projects will remain at STA and work on their academics in order to meet graduation requirements.
  - Placement in agencies will be determined on by the "order of selection" list established throughout the year as students completed and registered hours.

## Site Descriptions

Sites #1 and Site #2: BRIDGING |9:00 am-2:30 pm\*| 4 students; 2 at each location

Note: Students with dust mite allergies should NOT choose this site.

### Bloomington Warehouse

Erin Colburn

Volunteer Coordinator

201 West 87<sup>th</sup> Street

Bloomington, MN 55420

952.460.3750

[Erin.colburn@bridging.org](mailto:Erin.colburn@bridging.org)

### Roseville Warehouse

Wendy Erickson

Volunteer Coordinator

1730 Terrace Drive

Roseville, MN 55113

651.319.9295

[wendy.erickson@bridging.org](mailto:wendy.erickson@bridging.org)

[joel.bisser@bridging.org](mailto:joel.bisser@bridging.org)

Service Fair Contact

## WHAT IS BRIDGING?

Through the effective reuse of donated items, Bridging improves lives by providing quality furniture and household goods to those transitioning out of homelessness and poverty. Bridging serves over 80 households each week who are given a sense of dignity and stability as they rebuild their lives. We rely on volunteers to do just about everything at Bridging. Without your help, we simply could not help over 4,000 Twin Cities families in need every year. Listen to our story, meet the clients who benefit from our program and see the place in action. Website: [www.bridging.org](http://www.bridging.org)

## OUR GREATEST NEED: Warehouse Assistance

- Move donated furniture, bags and boxes throughout the warehouse.
- Restock shelves for client shopping.
- Accept community donations at the dock door.
- Load and unload vehicles. Lifting required; carts and dollies available.

\*Scheduled volunteer hours will be 9:00-2:30 each day. Shift start and end time may be able to be adjusted for after-school activities.

## HOW TO GET STARTED?

Captain, please contact Bridging no later than April 15th to schedule your 30-40 minute orientation and tour.

Roseville captain, contact Wendy Erickson. Email addresses and direct phone numbers are listed above.

### Bloomington Site:

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### Roseville Site:

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**Site #3: Living Well Disability Services [livingwell.org](http://livingwell.org) | 8 Students Needed | 8:30-2:30**

Various Locations: Mendota Heights, Eagan, South Saint Paul

Kathy Anderson 612-363-6220 [Kathy.anderson@livingwell.org](mailto:Kathy.anderson@livingwell.org)

1168 Northland Drive

Mendota Heights, MN 55120

651 242 5141

It will probably be mostly yardwork and outside projects. Like before, we'll have them work together as a group and go to a different home each day. The homes will be in the Mendota Heights/Eagan/WSP/SSP/IGH area. We should be able to do some outside interactions with people and I'll know better what that will look like when we get closer to the time. We probably won't require background checks this time, it will depend on how much interaction with people there ends up being. I'll know by early to mid-April and we can make specific plans with the students that sign up with us. If you need more information from me, please let me know. Thank you for your partnership – we are looking forward to it as always.

**1. Leo Ogle: Volunteer Captain**

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**Site #4: Wood Lake Nature Center | 8:30a.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 4 Students**

Contact: Scott Ramsay Phone: 612-861-9365; 612-861-9342 (d)

6710 Lake Shore Drive E-mail: [sramsay@cityofrichfield.org](mailto:sramsay@cityofrichfield.org)

Richfield, MN 55423 Fax: 612-861-9367

Woodlake Nature Center is a 150-acre day use environmental education facility operated by the City of Richfield. Wood Lake is requesting that four responsible and outgoing STA students to assist with environmental education classes for K-6 grade students and perform outdoor natural resource management and trail maintenance.

Orientation will take place on the first day. Captain is to contact Mr. Ramsay (612-861-9365) by April 1<sup>st</sup> to inform him of who is serving at Wood Lake Nature Center.

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**Site#5: United Heroes League: Hastings, Minnesota | 3 Students |**

[guys@unitedheroesleague.org](mailto:guys@unitedheroesleague.org)

[edwin@unitedheroesleague.org](mailto:edwin@unitedheroesleague.org) Edwin Adricula

[www.UnitedHeroesLeague.org](http://www.UnitedHeroesLeague.org)

The United Heroes League has an outstanding number of team partners, player ambassadors, and corporate partners supporting the mission. We are here to provide sports equipment, offer sports camps, subsidize association fees, and distribute sporting event tickets and special experiences to military children. Most of the week will be spent outdoors working on various projects.

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**Site #6. FULL. Our Lady of Grace Catholic School in Edina**

**All OLG participants are grads of OLG.**

Steve Bonello: [stevebonello@olgparish.org](mailto:stevebonello@olgparish.org)

**1. Kotok: Captain**

2. Fulton
3. Cooper
4. Rogolski
5. King

**Site #7: Sand Castle Child Care | 7:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. | 6 students needed \*Golf Team site due to potential conflicts with competitions**

Contact: Jennifer Franta [sandcastle@sf-sj.org](mailto:sandcastle@sf-sj.org)

[wjackson@sf-sj.org](mailto:wjackson@sf-sj.org), Wendy Jackson

[ldurst@sf-sj.org](mailto:ldurst@sf-sj.org) Lisa Durst

749 Juno Avenue

Saint Paul, MN 55102

Phone: 651-293-3945

Fax: 651-227-1881

Please bring your own bag lunch. Also, the children formally start their day program at 8, so we ask that seniors take initiative and play with children as they arrive early in the morning during the unstructured pre-school time between 7 - 8 a.m. Captain is to contact Ms. Wendy Jackson (651-293-3945) or by email at [wjackson@sf-sj.org](mailto:wjackson@sf-sj.org) by April 1 to inform her of who is serving at Sand Castle.

**1. Captain: Sean Burns- Golf**

2. Colin Dalseth-Golf
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**Site #8: The Neighborhood House (651) 789-2500 | 4 Students | 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.**

<http://neighb.org/>

Contact: Shane Springer

Email: [sspringer@neighb.org](mailto:sspringer@neighb.org)

Phone: 651.789.2524

Address: 179 Robie Street East, Saint Paul, MN 55107

Neighborhood House offers services in the areas of basic needs and lifelong learning. We have six Family Centers to help people with food support and housing. Our lifelong learning programming takes place at our West Side location in the Paul & Sheila Wellstone Center for Community Building. All our programs and services are offered free of charge to our participants.

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**Site #9: Saint Jerome's Catholic School | 8 Students needed | 9:00a.m.-2:30 p.m.**

384 Roselawn Ave. E. Maplewood, MN 55117      phone: 651-771-8494

[Ajgattman5@gmail.com](mailto:Ajgattman5@gmail.com)

No Background check - No Mantoux - No Orientation before first day

St. Jerome School is a small Catholic school just north of Saint Paul in Maplewood (right off of the 35E/Roselawn exit). We are a warm, friendly, small and mighty school with a beautifully diverse population of children from many cultures and with varying abilities. If you have an interest in working with young children and children with disabilities this is a good fit. We are a joyful, faith filled school.

We are requesting the assistance of 8 STA students to assist our K-3 (2 Cadets per classroom) teachers carry out their plans for the day. Activities include reading to students, helping them with activities, participating in structured play, and organizing games at recess. Most excitingly, we'd pair you with one or two students for tutoring in an area of need and you will work with them your whole time. You'll get to see progress and really feel you've made a difference in a young person's life.

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**Site #10: Highland Catholic School in Saint Paul/ Lumen Christi Church | 8:30-2:00 | 4 students**

Highland Catholic graduates get preference

Mrs. Jane Schmidt: [j.schmidt@highlandcatholic.org](mailto:j.schmidt@highlandcatholic.org)

No Mantoux test - Orientation before for 1 hour

Students will work on grounds, garden, rake, paint, and spend some time with kids  
Highland Catholic School  
2017 Bohland Avenue | Saint Paul, MN 55116 | Tel: 651-690-2477 | Fax: 651-699-1869  
[info@highlandcatholic.org](mailto:info@highlandcatholic.org)

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**Site #11: Flagstone (Formally Castle Ridge) | 8:30 -2:30 | 6 Students**

Contact: Kari Johnson      Cell: (763) 245-3630 [kkjohnson@preshomes.org](mailto:kkjohnson@preshomes.org)  
8350 Commonwealth Drive    Fax: (952) 942) 2101  
Eden Prairie, MN 55344

Flagstone, formally known as Castle Ridge, is a long-term care facility by the Eden Prairie Mall. Our residents are always eager to play games of all sorts including poker & blackjack. We enjoy exploring art, music, and the world around us. We would be thrilled with STA Students blessing our men especially by joining us for outings to see the classic cars, go to the AMC theater, and a fishing outing would be amazing! With your help, we could even go bowling! We also have folks who would appreciate a friend to help them write their stories. As a group, we have THOUSANDS of years of experience having fun! We believe growing older is a privilege denied to many and we'd love to enjoy some fun with you!

Captain is to contact Mrs. Kari Johnson (763) 245-3630 to let her know the names of students working with Flagstone. Orientation will take place on the first day of senior projects.

1. Ethan Casey, Captain

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**Site #12: Community of Saints Regional Catholic School | 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. | 2 students**

Bridget Kramer (Principal)    Phone: 651-457-2510 x 13    [bkramer@communityofsaints.org](mailto:bkramer@communityofsaints.org)  
335 Hurley Avenue East      Fax: 651-457-5049

West Saint Paul, MN 55118

We are a small, Catholic school located in West Saint Paul that educates students from preschool to 8th grade. We are sponsored by the parishes of Our Lady of Guadalupe, St. John Vianney, St. Matthew's, and St. Michael – all of which formerly had their own parish school.

Our student body is both ethnically and economically diverse. Many of our students live on the West Side of Saint Paul, West Saint Paul, Mendota Heights, South Saint Paul and Inver Grove Heights. While our student body is diverse, what our students and their families have in common is a strong commitment to a rigorous education, Catholic values and service to community.

Orientation: Captain is to contact Ms. Kramer at [bkramer@communityofsaints.org](mailto:bkramer@communityofsaints.org) by April 1 to inform her of who is serving at Community of Saints School and to set a date for orientation.

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### **Site #13: Little Sisters of the Poor /Holy Family Residence | 4 students | 8:30-2:30**

Jeanie Greene [volstpaul@littlesistersofthepoor.org](mailto:volstpaul@littlesistersofthepoor.org)

Development Director [littlesistersofthepoorstpaul.org](http://littlesistersofthepoorstpaul.org)

Holy Family Residence Telephone: 651-227-0336

330 Exchange Street South

Saint Paul, MN 55102

The Little Sisters of the Poor Holy Family Residence is home for 75 of your elderly Saint Paul neighbors. We look forward to having three to four students join us this spring! May is an exciting time for us because we can finally focus on outdoor living. You will help our gardener plant flowers and vegetables and get our backyard garden and summer house ready for a season of outdoor fun. Take our Residents on walks outside and help our life enrichment team provide bingo, card games, music and other activities. Our Resident are fun, energetic and wise. They look forward to sharing this special time with you!

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### **Site# 14: Northern Voices | 4 students needed | 8:30-2:30**

Erin Loavenbruck Phone: (651) 639-2535 Email: [erinl@northernvoices.org](mailto:erinl@northernvoices.org)

1660 County Road B West



Roseville, MN 55113-4033

Northern Voices is non-profit listening and spoken language program for children with hearing loss who are between the ages of infancy-early elementary. We are located in Roseville, MN and we are the only listening and spoken language program in the upper Midwest. Parents dream to have their child reach his or her full potential. At Northern Voices, those dreams become reality—through early, specialized intervention, children with hearing loss learn to use listening and spoken language to find their voices. We believe that families should have a choice in the communication modality of their child, and our goal is to provide a center of excellence for families who choose listening and spoken communication. All children deserve the opportunity to meet their full potential. In our organization, we believe that this can only happen through a commitment to continuing education, and communication and collaboration with families and professionals. We strive to provide children with a warm, supportive environment full of opportunities and laughter. Listening and spoken language is a choice for families of children with hearing loss. Kids with hearing loss can learn to listen and talk. We invite you to come in and hear the possibilities. Hours will be 8:30-2:30. A 30-minute lunch break is included in this time frame. Bring bag lunch!

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**Site #15: Agate/House of Charity | 3 Students | 8:30-2:30**

Noah Chan, Community Engagement Coordinator [n.chan@houseofcharity.org](mailto:n.chan@houseofcharity.org)

510 South 8<sup>th</sup> Street phone: 612-327-6389

Minneapolis, MN 55404-1079 fax: 612-594-2020

[www.houseofcharity.org](http://www.houseofcharity.org) for more info

Students will work on upkeep projects such as painting and organizing. Students will also spend time with clients in the food shelf and help with serving lunches.

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**Site #16: Minnesota Autism Society | 5 Students | 8:00-2:30**

Emily Taugtes [etautges@mnautism.org](mailto:etautges@mnautism.org)

Work on some maintenance projects some contact with children. Some contact with kids.

No Orientation before first day - No Mantoux test

5868 Baker Road

Minnetonka, MN 55345

**Direct Dial:** 952.767.4217 | **Cell:** 612.597.7820 | **Fax:** 952.767.4711

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**Site #17: Lyngblomsten Care Center Saint Paul | 8:30am – 2:30pm | 6 Students Needed**

1415 Almond Avenue

Saint Paul, MN 55105 (located between Como Park and the main entrance to the State Fairgrounds)

Contact: Shelli Beck

Phone: 651-414-5297

Email: [sbeck@lyngblomsten.org](mailto:sbeck@lyngblomsten.org)

Lyngblomsten Care Center has a robust Therapeutic Recreation department, very active arts department and regular programs with MacPhail School of Music. A typical day at Lyngblomsten for a cadet might be helping with transporting residents to therapy, a movie or arts/music program. Visiting one on one with residents or enjoying a group activity. A nice day could easily include a walk down to Como Zoo or a walk to a car show at the fairgrounds as we are only a block away from each. At this time in May, we will be undergoing some major renovations at the care center, both interior and exterior so cadets may get an opportunity to work on some landscaping projects as well. We are very excited about having some STA seniors at Lyngblomsten.

Orientation: Captain is to contact Shelli Beck (651.632.5406) by April 15<sup>th</sup> to let her know the names of the students who are working at Lyngblomsten and to schedule the date for orientation.

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**Site #18: Saint Thomas More Catholic School | 3 Students |**

1065 Summit Avenue | Saint Paul, MN 55105

Pat Lofton

[plofton@morecommunity.org](mailto:plofton@morecommunity.org)

651-224-4836

[info@morecommunity.org](mailto:info@morecommunity.org)

Children do not simply attend Saint Thomas More Catholic School—they belong. The moment students cross our threshold, they are welcomed into a warm and vibrant school family. Like any family, we get to know each and every child as a person and as a student. We uncover how they learn best. We empower them to discover their innermost gifts and talents.

**Students will work on grounds, garden, rake, paint, and spend some time with kids.**

1. James Brennan: Saint Thomas More graduate.

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#### **Site #19: Wilder Child Development Center | 3 Volunteers Needed | 8:30-2:30**

To: Donyella Smith \_\_\_\_donyella.baker@wilder.org

911 Lafond Avenue | Saint Paul, Minnesota 651-280-2608

Our mission and Philosophy:

The Wilder Foundation has been providing the service of childcare for over 100 years. There is a commitment to providing this service to families who might not otherwise have child care accessible to them. Our philosophy is to be focused on the whole family. For many of our families, this is their first pre-school experience. So we are focused on school readiness for children as well as their parents. Our focus for children is to prevent the achievement gap for each and every child through our formal curriculums that are focused on literacy and social and emotional development. Volunteers offer an opportunity for our children and staff to experience people from all walks of life with a fresh energy and interest in seeing children succeed.

Our classrooms provide an active learning environment throughout the day. The formal structure begins at 9:30 am and continues through 5:30 pm. During this time, children are engaged in various activities that promote reading, writing, art, math and science skills and physical exercise. This is accomplished through structured activities and active learning times when children are applying the newly learned skills and concepts.

**As a volunteer, you are not allowed to be alone with any child at any time. Even if they ask you to take them somewhere like the bathroom, you must inform the teacher and a staff member will take them. You must always be in eyesight and ear shot of a teaching staff. This is for your protection as well as the comfort level of our children. Cell phones are not allowed during your Volunteering hours. Absolutely no pictures/photos are to be taken by any volunteer at any time.**

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#### **Site #20: Minnesota Veterans Home | 3 Students Needed | 8:30-2:30**

5101 Minnehaha Avenue South | Minneapolis, Minnesota 55417

See historic info at <http://mn.gov/mdva/homes/Minneapolis/>

Erin Betlock 612-548-5751 erin.betlock@state.mn.us

The Minnesota Veterans Home in Minneapolis is located on a 53 acre campus overlooking the Mississippi River near Minnehaha Falls. There are 291 skilled nursing beds in private and semi-private rooms. All residents have served 181

days or more of active duty in a branch of the armed services. There is also an Adult Daycare Center open Monday-Friday.

Students will spend time working with staff on recreation therapy activities. There will also be outdoor groundskeeping projects.

1. Captain: Sam Heintz

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**Site 21: St. Peter Claver Catholic School | 7:45 a.m.- 2:30 p.m. | 6 Students**

1060 West Central | Saint Paul, MN 55104

Margaret Conroy: [mconroy@acamn.org](mailto:mconroy@acamn.org)

Terese Shimshock: [shimshock@stpclaverschool.org](mailto:shimshock@stpclaverschool.org)

St. Peter Claver is a Catholic grade school located in the Frogtown neighborhood of Saint Paul near Lexington and 94. We are looking for STA seniors who would have a desire to bring enthusiasm, humor, patience, a positive attitude and an ability to communicate effectively with our young children. Seniors who work at St. Peter Claver will work in a specific classroom: 1st grade, 2nd grade, 3rd grade, or middle school. Volunteer responsibilities would include: assisting the teacher with the day to day work of the classroom; assisting students with homework; working one to one or in small group tutoring; taking part in gym/recess/field trip activities; supervising breakfast and lunch time while eating lunch/breakfast with their classroom students. We hope seniors will join us in providing a safe, fun, enriching and rewarding learning experience for all our students.

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**Site #22: Dodge Nature Center | 8:30-2:30 |**

365 Marie Avenue West | West Saint Paul, Minnesota 55118

Contact: Sean Gokey [sgokey@dodgenaturecenter.org](mailto:sgokey@dodgenaturecenter.org)

Since 1967, Dodge has been connecting children and adults to nature. With a mission to provide exceptional experiences in nature through environmental education, Dodge Nature Center and Preschool are nationally recognized. Nourish your need for nature by joining an upcoming nature experience. Seniors will work with the staff who provide programming to local school groups that visit and tour.

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**Site 23: Folkestone Presbyterian Homes Senior Living | 3 Students Needed | 8:30-2:30**

Christine Nye [cnye@preshomes.org](mailto:cnye@preshomes.org)

Life Enrichment Director

100 Promenade Avenue | Wayzata, MN 55391

Ph: (952)249-2430

We are a continuum of care community that serves seniors in many different settings. A continuum of care promotes aging in place and our settings include Independent Living, Assistant Living, Enhanced Assisted Living and Skilled Care.

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**Site 24: St. Pascal Regional Catholic School | 3 Students | 8:30-2:30**

1757 Conway Street, Saint Paul, MN 55106

Phone: 651-776-0092

Seniors will spend time cleaning and organizing a storage space. They will also do some tutoring and playground supervision.

Contact person: Inna Collier-Paske    icollierpaske@stpascalschool.org

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**Site #25: Good Samaritan Society-Inver Grove Heights | 3 Students | 8:30 - 2:30**

Contact: Patti K      Phone: 651-289-0687      Fax: 651-451-7515

Patricia.karschnik@good-sam.com

1301 50<sup>th</sup> Street East

Inver Grove Heights, MN 55077

Our Therapeutic Recreation program provides a variety of programs that meet our residents' social, spiritual, physical, emotional and intellectual needs, providing residents with the feeling of being loved, valued and at peace. We would really enjoy having the help of three students to make the end of May a special time for our residents

Orientation: Captain is to contact Patti (651-289-0687) by April 15 to let her know the names of students who are working at the center and to schedule the date for orientation and to find out if there are any forms to be completed.

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**Site #26: Presentation of Mary School | 3 Students | 8:30-2:30**

1695 Kennard Street

Maplewood, MN 55109

651-777-5877

Since its establishment in 1949, Presentation of Mary Catholic School has cultivated a culture grounded in academic excellence, sound Catholic tradition, and the belief that we must teach to the whole child. We offer Early Childhood through eighth grade education as well as extended and summer care programs. This provides a student and their siblings the opportunity for shared educational experiences in a safe environment and enables families to make a balanced lifestyle choice by minimizing travel for their children.

Contact person: Sue Lovegreen      [slovegreen@presentationofmary.org](mailto:slovegreen@presentationofmary.org)

Duties Include: Students will work on grounds, garden, rake, paint, and spend some time with kids.

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#### **Site #27: Neighbors Inc | 4 Students |**

Contact: Sherry Patterson      [sherry@neighborsmn.org](mailto:sherry@neighborsmn.org)

Neighbors, Inc. is a nonprofit, social-service agency providing emergency assistance and essential services programs to low-income community members in northern Dakota County. Volunteers are an integral part of our mission. We would love to have students from Saint Thomas Academy assist in various areas throughout our organization. Assignments may include helping in the food shelf (sorting and stocking food, checking clients in for food appointments, packing orders, assisting shoppers, etc.), the Clothes Closet Thrift Store (sorting and pricing donations, putting merchandise on sales floor, etc.) or working on outdoor clean-up projects.

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#### **Site #28: Dakota Child and Family Clinic | 3 Students | 8:30-2:30**

Contact: Molly Gehrke      [Molly@dakotachildandfamily.org](mailto:Molly@dakotachildandfamily.org),

Dakota Child and Family Clinic is a non-profit clinic in Burnsville. We provide primary care and acute illness services for babies through adults. We believe people have the right to high-quality healthcare, regardless of their ability to pay, so we take most insurance including Medicaid and Medicare, and have a sliding fee scale for uninsured people. As a small non-profit, we as staff do the cleaning, maintenance, and upkeep of the clinic. If you chose to volunteer your time with DCFC, we would likely ask for help with cleaning, painting, maintenance projects, and possibly an outdoor space revamp. You may be asked to be a lobby attendant on our pediatric days and play with kids in our waiting room!

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**Site #29: Joseph's Coat      3 students needed      8:30-2:30**

## THIS SITE IS STILL BEING FORMULATED

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Site #30: 360 Communities | 3 Students | 8:30-2:30

Contact: Amara Robinson      [arobinson@360communities.org](mailto:arobinson@360communities.org)

Volunteer Manager      [360Communities.org](http://360Communities.org)

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Site #31: Metro Work Center | 4 Students |

Contact: Julie Washington      [jwashington4772@gmail.com](mailto:jwashington4772@gmail.com)      612-729-7381

2730 East 31<sup>st</sup> Street

Minneapolis, MN 55406

Metro Work Center, Inc. provides person-centered employment opportunities, life skill development support, community integration, and leisure and recreation activities to adults with developmental disabilities and related conditions. By providing our services and opportunities, we enhance participant self-esteem, self-worth, support independence and promote community engagement with non-disabled individuals.

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Site #32: Hennepin Schools | 4 Students Needed | 8:30-2:30

Hennepin schools is a prek-8th charter school in Minneapolis at 46th and Chicago. We serve 430 students from traditionally underrepresented populations and have an extended day so that students receive additional math and reading support. Cadets serving at Hennepin will connect with students during class or during outside classes/activities. Cadets may support the 8th grade class in creating their graduation gift to the school.

Contact: Ms. Kimberly Knuttila

Hennepin Schools, K-8 School Director of Academics

1001 E 46th Street | Minneapolis, MN 55407

phone: 612-843-5050 | fax: 612-871-2406 | cell: 612-702-2252

[www.hennepinschools.org](http://www.hennepinschools.org)

[kknuttila@hennepinschools.org](mailto:kknuttila@hennepinschools.org)

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### **Site #33: Our Lady of Peace School | 3 Students | 8:30-3:30**

Cadets will work with students and teachers in the classrooms. Some projects will be helping students with reading, math, and any other projects that could use the guiding help of a Cadet. Some responsibilities may also entail manual labor as we prepare for the looming summer projects of a school campus.

Contact: Paul Berry, EdS | Principal [pberry@olpmn.org](mailto:pberry@olpmn.org) Phone 612.823.8253 ext 1034

Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church and School

5435 11th Avenue South | Minneapolis, MN 55417

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### **Site #34: Marian of St. Paul Cerenity Senior Care | 8:30 a.m.- 2:30 p.m. | 4 Students Needed**

200 Earl Street

Contact: Jackie Bruns, Office Coordinator/Resident Trust Contact/Volunteer Services

651-793-2102 [Jackie.bruns@benedictineliving.org](mailto:Jackie.bruns@benedictineliving.org)

Cerenity's mission is to cultivate independence and dignity by empowering the people they serve in a faith-based partnership through innovation, compassion, and excellence. Cerenity strives to create an environment for their residents, tenants, and staff that support its core values of collaboration, hospitality, respect, and stewardship.

Orientation and training will take place the first day of service. Get form from Mr. Seidel.

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### **Site #35: St. Helena's School | 8:00-2:00 | 4 Students**



3200 E 44th Street, Minneapolis, MN 55406

Contact: Ms. Karla Gergen, Principal [gergen@sainthelenampls.org](mailto:gergen@sainthelenampls.org) Phone: (612) 729-9301

Saint Helena Catholic School is a small, K-8 school located in South Minneapolis. Our population is one of the most diverse elementary schools in the Twin Cities with many different ethnic backgrounds, languages, and economic levels represented in our students. During their time at Saint Helena, our volunteers will be doing small group tutoring with elementary or middle school students, help plan and run games during PE classes, play and talk with students at lunch and recess, and also plan a Field Day afternoon for our students.

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### Site #36: DARTS | 3 Students |

Contact: Linda Engelken [linda.engelken@darts1.org](mailto:linda.engelken@darts1.org)

“Since 1974, DARTS has been a community-based nonprofit serving seniors (ages 55+) and their families in Dakota County and the surrounding area, helping them to lead more independent and fulfilling lives. Through services like light housework, outdoor chores, home repair, caregiving resources, volunteer opportunities and transportation, we have worked to be a community partner across generations.”

“Help DARTS live out our mission ***creating connections that enrich aging*** by choosing to volunteer with us this May. We have a unique opportunity for you! We are combining our yard clean-up event and our Tech Buddies program. Part of your DARTS volunteer experience will help prepare an older adult’s yard for the spring season by raking, cleaning out garden beds, washing windows, and other miscellaneous chore projects. The other part provides technical assistance to older adults with smart phones, tablets, laptops, televisions, and other technology. Use your skills to help regardless the weather this spring!”

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### Site #37. STA Wall That Heals: May 25 through Memorial Day, May 29.

Assist with visitors that are visiting the wall. Shifts are six hours per day.

Coordinator: Colonel Neil Hetherington

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