

What is Service-Learning?

It is a method of teaching and learning that improves academics and develops personal skills through service projects that meet community needs.

Service-Learning gives students opportunities to learn by preparing, leading, and reflecting on their service experience.

Who Benefits from Service-Learning?

Students and the community benefit from Service-Learning.

Students acquire enhanced learning from service projects that allows them to apply knowledge and skills they have learned in the classroom to the real world.

The community gains from the knowledge, social and technical services, and contributions the students bring to their organizations.

A great amount of manpower is generated in the community with the intent of doing good.

How does Service-Learning affect the Community?

By being involved with Service-Learning, students become active participants within their communities. Their efforts address and meet local needs in the areas of education, public safety, human service and the environment.

Service-Learning brings community leaders and schools closer together and contributes to a higher quality of life for everyone. By working as a team, our youth, our schools and our community benefit.

What does Service-Learning do for our Students?

- Promotes self-esteem
- Develops practical skills
- Promotes citizenship
- Makes learning come alive
- Promotes diversity
- Challenges abilities
- Boosts self-confidence
- Develops personal responsibility
- Develops social responsibility

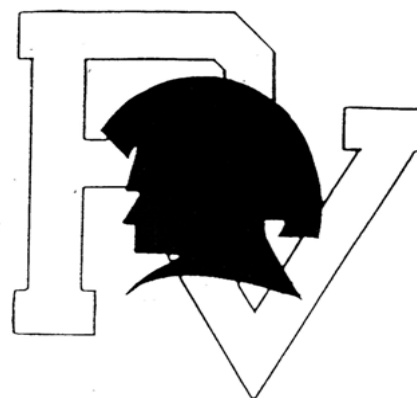
Shows students that they CAN make a difference.

How can you help?

Become a partner with Pleasant Valley High school by helping students help you.

Let us know if you have ideas or service opportunities that our students may help you with.

Volunteer.



Who to contact?

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**Pleasant
Valley
High School**

**Service
Learning**

**PVHS
Students**

**“Making a
Difference
in their
Community”**

Pleasant Valley High School Believes in Service-Learning

**Main Elements of
Quality Service
Learning**
Youth Leadership
Community Need
Curricular Connection
Reflection and
Evaluation



**Requirements of PVHS
Freshmen/Sophomores**
30 hours of service to be completed during 9th & 10th grade. This can be multiple service jobs to total 30 hours.



Service-Learning is more than just choosing a project. Its purpose is to touch as many lives as possible by promoting thought, vision, and growth in Iowa's youth.
Source: Iowa Department of Education



**Requirements of PVHS
Juniors/Seniors**
A project or goal using a minimum of 40 service hours with completion by May 1st of their senior year.
(This can be two 20 hour projects)