



## Service Learning During COVID-19

**HOTC ...** October 17, 2020 “Hands on Thomas County Day!”

\*Events will be outdoors and/or Virtual. **SAVE THE DATE!**

Please visit the website for updates on service and donation opportunities.

**Handsonthomascounty.org** Students may sign up online for the independent projects or through their team for the traditional one.

**HOTC ...** Family Volunteer Day! November 7, 2020 9: 30 am - 12:30 am

MERIT families can sign up on the HOTC website.

**Thomas County Humane Society ...** Students will be allowed to donate treats and distribute them to the animals. They are required to attend a training session prior to volunteering. Training dates are to be announced. Treat boxes/bags will equal one half hour each. They can be turned in to Mrs. Studdard or donated directly to the Humane Society. Service learning form are available there as well.

**MERIT Munchymobile” ...** Each month the mobile will visit locations where members of Thomas County are in service to our community! Donations will be collected for the “mobile” monthly. Flyers will be sent home each month with a new location and a list of needed munchies. Look for more information to come! Items will be collected by Mrs. Studdard.

**MERIT League of Good Neighbors ...** MERIT students may volunteer to clean/ mow the lawn or complete outside chores of a person who may find

it difficult to complete chores on their own. Hopefully, MERIT students can identify needs within their own neighborhoods. They are encouraged to wear MERIT team t-shirts while working! Please have the neighbor in need sign the SL volunteer form.

**Treehouse ...** A list of needed supplies , along with hour values, will be shared with MERIT families and teachers.

School Supplies Drive ... <http://treehousethomasville.org/>

**the treehouse**  
Children's Advocacy Center of Thomas County

## CENTER NEEDS

 <i>Birthday Boxes</i>	 <i>Forensic Interviews</i>	 <i>Care Closet</i>
Cake Mix Tub Icing Candles Balloons Paper Plates Napkins Utensils Streamers	DVDs DVD Sleeves 8 ct Crayons 12 ct Colored Pencils Washable Markers Copy Paper Sharpie DVD Markers Kleenex (Square Box)	Toothbrush Toothpaste Deodorant Shampoo Body Wash Hair Brushes Underwear (All sizes) Sports Bras

**\* 5 items equal one hour!**

**Salvation Army Kettle Bell Ringing ...** Students can sign up during the holidays to ring the bell for an hour. They will sign up with the Service Learning contact on their MERIT team. (November/December Opportunity)

**Ronald MacDonald House ...** Students can donate a quart zip lock bag full of soda can tabs. **Each bag is equal to 1 hour.** Students may turn them into their homeroom teacher or Mrs. Studdard.

### **Miss Kitty's ...**

Does your middle or high schooler need volunteer hours? Are they kitten lovers? Foster families are sometimes needed for a few weeks. No out of pocket vet care expenses. Just dedication to show these babies lots of love, petting, and cuddles. A bedroom is a great closed location where they can just hang out together. In the 3-4 weeks, their job will be to socialize the kittens, so they will be ready for the adoption program through Miss Kitty's. Give Miss Kitty a call if your family is interested. (229-236-0167)

### **First Methodist Church Blanket Drive**

Students may turn in new blankets to homeroom teachers for the blanket drive to FUMC. Two blankets equal ONE hour. Deadline is November 1st!

### **Veteran's Day Donation Opportunity**

Students at TCMS will donate \$1 on Veteran's Day. THEN they can wear a special hat!

