

What is the Presidential Volunteer Award?

Established in 2003 by The Presidential Council on Service and Citizenship, The President's Volunteer Service Award (PVSA) is a nationally recognized, high-quality volunteer program designed to encourage U.S. citizens and permanent residents to actively participate in and serve their community

Qualification of Tye PTSA

The Tye Middle School PTSA is a non-profit parent's volunteer organization serving for Tye Middle School. We were awarded the Presidential Volunteer Award in June 2022.

Responsibility of Awarding Committee

- Verify the volunteer hours required to earn the award.
- Verify volunteers are U.S. citizens or lawfully admitted permanent U.S. residents.
- Pay the nominal cost of PVSA awards, including shipping. Certifying Organizations may not charge volunteers for the PVSA award and volunteers are not permitted to purchase awards.
- Receive and distribute the awards package to volunteers.
- Take the Certifying Organization e-course once every 12 months.
- Establish procedures to ensure compliance with PVSA eligibility and other program requirements.
- Revoke a PVSA when information is presented that any awardee did not meet criteria for the Award.
- Maintain a data bank that provides the capability to retrieve all information upon which an award was based, by individual awardee's name and year of the award, and certify annually to Points of Light that such data bank is being maintained and is current.
- If there is a time lag longer than 3 months between approving and purchasing the award and the actual award date, the Certifying Organization must recertify that the individual remains eligible for the award and maintains such certification in the data bank.

Qualifications of Applicant:

- U.S. citizens or legal permanent residents
- Over 5 years old

Application Time:

- The cumulative time limit of volunteers: 12 months from July 1st last year to June 31st of current year
- Application submission date: **July 1st – July 20th of current year**
- Review date: 20th-30th July of current year
- Every August, Awarding Committee will apply the PVSA awards for the volunteers.
- Award ceremony date: September

How to submit an application

- Download and fill out the Presidential Volunteer Award Application Form Tye PTSA website, attach proof of volunteer time, and the copy of green card or passport email to pvs@tyepta.org by 7/20 of current year.

Note1: If a volunteer participates in activities in other PVSA certifying organizations, he/she can choose among:

- Having all hour records provided to the School for awards.
- Having the School provide his/her hours to other organizations for awards.
- Applying awards via more than one organization, without double-counting of the volunteering hours.
- Volunteer hours for Tye PTSA activities are not less than 70% of the time required for each award.

Note 2: If the volunteer hours are from the Tye PTSA, please submit them with the application form (attach the volunteer hour's document directly from the Tye PTSA and need the signature of the project manager or Club chair).

Note 3: If the volunteer time comes from other organizations, you should also download and fill out the volunteer form provided by Tye Middle School and have it stamped or signed by the other organization and attached with their tax ID.

Note 4: For the applicant who age is in-between two age group, you can submit your application according to the age group in which you spend most of your volunteer time. The percentage will be 80%.

For example, if your birthday is in February, when you submit your application in July, you actually are 16 years old. However, more than 80% of the volunteer hours are done during your 15 years old. You can apply for rewards according to the 15-year-old group.

Note 5: Please keep the original Tyee PTSA for use when needed.

Application Fee

Free application. Application and medal fees are paid by the Tyee PTSA.

Award Level:

The volunteers must meet the volunteering hour requirements within 12 months of an application year for awards according to the standard criteria. The accumulated volunteer hours for different age groups and different award levels are as follows.

Age Group	Bronze	Silver	Gold	Lifetime Achievement Award
Kids (5–10 years old)	26–49 hours	50–74 hours	75+ hours	4,000+ hours
Teens (11–15)	50–74 hours	75–99 hours	100+ hours	4,000+ hours
Young Adults (16–25)	100–174 hours	175–249 hours	250+ hours	4,000+ hours
Adults (26+)	100–249 hours	250–499 hours	500+ hours	4,000+ hours

Volunteer service requirements:

- Volunteering to serve others
- Unpaid

Eligible Service does not include:

- Donating funds
- Political lobbying (Non-partisan voter registration is an eligible activity)
- Religious instruction
- Conducting worship service
- Proselytizing
- Volunteer service performed as part of court-ordered community service
- Serving only family members

Award Criteria and Ceremony

Every September, TYEE PTSA will announce the list of Presidential Volunteer Award winners in Tyee time. We will also hold a ceremony at the beginning of each School Year and award PVSA award packages to the awarded volunteers.