

SUMMER CHALLENGE

Each month this school year, we challenged you with a service mission. With summer in our sights, we've got one more major challenge: How many acts of service can you accomplish on your summer break? The bingo board below includes some of our favorite monthly missions. Make a plan to do those that resonate with you. Cross them off as you go. Can you get bingo (a straight line horizontally, vertically, or diagonally) or—even better!—finish off the entire board? Team up for maximum impact. Remember, Service Stars shine brighter together!

Make a drawing, poem, or video to raise awareness about an issue that you care about.	Collect first-aid materials from people and businesses, and donate them to a shelter or school.	Offer a service, such as mowing lawns or washing cars, in return for a donation to a cause.	Collect spare change and donate it to your favorite charity that supports wildlife.	Plant a bee-friendly garden at your home, school, camp, or elsewhere in your community.
Write letters to local leaders asking them to do more to promote literacy in your community.	Make posters promoting an environmental cause, and hang them in your community.	Volunteer with family or a community group at a soup kitchen or food bank.	Offer to do a chore, such as dog-walking or gardening, with or for an elderly neighbor.	Contact an animal shelter. Ask how you can volunteer or help. Enlist a trusted adult to go with you.
Start a community fridge, or bring supplies to one in your neighborhood.	If someone offers to give you a present, ask them to make a donation to a good cause instead.	 FREE SPACE	Pick up trash at a park or playground, and ask family members and friends to join in.	Send a letter to the editor of your town newspaper raising awareness about an issue that's important to you.
Be an upstander by speaking out when you see someone being unkind.	Start a book drive. Decide what kinds of books you'll collect and where you'll donate them.	Create a "kind space" at school or camp where everyone can feel safe and find company.	Make drawings or paintings to decorate waiting rooms at medical offices.	Host a lemonade stand or a bake sale to raise funds for a community project.
Go to a town hall or school-board meeting. If an issue you care about is discussed, share your perspective.	Reach out to a friend or classmate who seems lonely. Help them feel connected.	Speak up about a way to make your school or community greener.	Know multiple languages? Read a book with someone who wants to learn one of them.	Talk to local restaurants about what they do with excess food. Ask if they're willing and able to donate it.