

# HELP

## SERVICE

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**W**hat is Service Learning? Service Learning is a combination of things. It's acting as a second hand to the teachers, tutoring students, helping out at the Head Start, and walking to the nursing home every day to lend a hand. Mr. Todd Starry, the head coordinator, said, "Service Learning is a way for students to gain real world experiences by serving their communities. This community can be Ashley, Michigan, school, etc. It also allows teachers to use authentic assessment of student's skills learned in class."

Many students enjoy this new curricular activity. Robbyn Johnson commented, "It is a joyful learning experience and I hope they continue

with it throughout the years."

Matt Crumbaugh stated, "I like Service Learning because I really enjoy helping people and it makes me feel good about myself."

There are a lot of students in this school who need a little extra help with their studies and Service Learning helps a lot. Every Wednesday, students who need that extra help gather together in the cafetorium with their tutors to get the help they need. "There are a lot of students who need help in classes. It helped me a lot so I could pass. It's helped me understand math better," remarked sophomore, Jerad Luckhardt.

"I think they should continue with the tutoring program because it really does help students who need help. I

like helping the kids who are struggling in school," commented Kari Bearden.

Not only do the high schoolers help out their classmates with their schooling, but they also help the smaller folks up at the Head Start. "Little kids are fun to be with. You don't know what to expect from one moment to the next," commented Jesse Diffin.

Katrina Payne said, "I enjoy it. I'll miss helping out." The students who help out do many things such as making breakfast and reading.

Service Learning is a quality program that helps everyone and that should be around for years.

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**OFFICE HELP OR LUNCH?** Luann Cermak takes time out from her busy schedule in the office to grab a bite to eat. Luann does numerous jobs including collecting absent slips.

**STUDY HALL OR TUTORING?** Well, you could say it's both. Samantha Prud'Homme, Jeremy Whitaker, and EJ Castillo are three of the many tutors and tutorees. Tutoring takes place once every week for about a half an hour, during a school wide reading and tutoring combination.



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