



The BSA® Adopt-a-School program is an exciting and comprehensive undertaking that will connect Scout packs, troops, and crews across the country with schools in their communities. Participating Scouts then work, within clearly defined guidelines, to partner with school administrations and offer the volunteer services that most effectively meet their school's needs. With each unit offering their school a minimum one-year commitment, meaningful community relationships are built, and significant changes will happen in the schools. Units may use their service hours to count for rank advancement or unit awards. Some of the great projects Scouts have done include:

- Flag ceremonies
- Gardening projects
- Trash pick-up
- Help out with school festivals.

Each participating unit pledges to perform a quarterly service project for a school during a minimum one-year commitment. For more ideas on projects visit [BSA Summer of Service Website](#)

Here is what your Scouting unit needs to do:

1. Meet with school principal of your community and discuss their needs.
2. Establish a project timeline during the school year to complete the service projects.
3. Fill out School Pledge Letter online at <https://www.mississippivalleybsa.org/adopt-a-school/>
4. When projects are completed share the story and photos on social Media platforms (Facebook, Instagram, etc) and [mvc@scouting.org](mailto:mvc@scouting.org)
5. Record your Service hours in Scoutbook or [www.my.scouting.org](http://www.my.scouting.org)
6. Meet quarterly with the school principal to review the projects.

