

Goals of the Community Project:

1. Identify a need within one's community
2. Conduct in-depth investigation of problem
3. Demonstrate skills to work independently or in a group for an extended time period
4. Effectively communicate findings
5. Realize the impact service has on the community



Our Promise:

Our promise is to provide a culture of academic excellence, foster a rigorous and nurturing learning environment, and instill within students a love of learning by identifying their positive distinctions, whether academic, artistic, or athletic, thus empowering them to be responsible, contributing members of a global community.

Our Graduates:

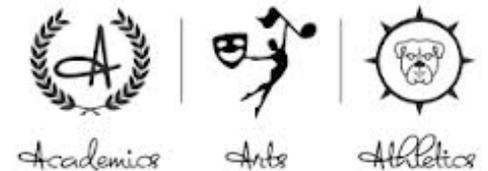
Agassiz students will be life-long learners who are persistent problem solvers, are curious about the world, have a strong sense of self, and are able to articulate their thoughts, feelings, and ideas.

Agassiz students will be able to analyze a concept and determine their own viewpoint while respecting differing opinions.

Agassiz students will show integrity and empathy, and possess a foundation of knowledge that enables them to thrive in a diverse, changing society.



IB-MYP Community Project



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What is the Community Project?

The **Grade 8 Community Project** is a major activity for students to complete in the final year (Year 3 = Grade 8) of the MYP program at Agassiz School. Agassiz School will be an authorized IB school with a 3 year MYP program. All students within the final year of the MYP year 3 program must complete the community project. Students will spend approximately 15 hours during the school year on their community projects, which may be completed individually or in groups of no more than three students per group. Students will work with an advisor who will assist them throughout the project.



What kind of projects can be done?

- Identify a need or a problem within the community.
- Consider the global context of the issue identified
- Develop an action plan for service that may address the issue.
- Reflect on the efficacy of the plan.

Project ideas are limitless! Here are some examples:

- Create a new sport or game
- Create a recipe book of healthy recipes
- Write a short story or anthology
- Create a school newspaper
- Create a dance or song
- Develop a business plan to benefit a non-for-profit business
- Create an instructional video
- Make a children's book
- Construct an original piece of art
- Ask your advisor for suggestions!

What are the steps used to complete the project?

Investigation - find what types of service opportunities are needed within the community

Planning - create a plan of what needs to happen, when, and if done in a group, identifying roles

Taking Action - implementation of the plan

Reflecting - throughout the project and at the end, students reflect on the process and how well the group collaborated with each other

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