**About Service Learning**

**Guilford County Schools (GCS) wants every student to become involved in service-learning.  Service-Learning is a way of teaching and learning that connects positive and meaningful action in the community with academic learning, personal growth, social emotional engagement, and civic responsibility. Service-Learning helps develop citizenship and good character while providing direct connections to the academic curriculum.**

**GCS offers either of the following recognitions to students who dedicate time within their high school career to make an impact in the community. The Service-Learning Exemplary Award is an honor a GCS high school student, who devotes a minimum of 100 hours of service-learning experience in their community over the course of their high school years, may receive upon graduation. The Service-Learning Diploma is a locally developed official recognition program designed to recognize high school students who are committed to serving their community. Students who complete 200 hours of service-learning experience over the course of their high school years will receive this certification upon graduation.**