

## **VOLUNTEER SERVICE (five hours required minimum)**

Each student is also required to volunteer for an arts agency, school, or youth/educational facility in the Iowa City/Cedar Rapids area for five hours.

The reason that I require volunteer service is that it is important to see how you can work in the community as an art educator.

Through volunteer opportunities I have discovered that I like working with elderly people, with prisoners, with homeless people and particularly with women. I would never have learned this about myself unless I worked in the community where I lived. It is also a way for you to get to know art people in the community.

**DRESS APPROPRIATELY**

**SPEAK AND ACT APPROPRIATELY**

**DO WHAT YOU PROMISE TO DO**

**BE GRACIOUS**

**BE PROFESSIONAL**

**ALWAYS WRITE A THANK-YOU NOTE**

If you go and “check out” a place and feel that you are uncomfortable find another place to spend your time. Five hours is enough to do perhaps one good project. Be reasonable when you make plans.

**SEE THE WEBSITE FOR A LINKS TO VARIOUS PLACES YOU CAN VOLUNTEER**

