Dear school administrator, teacher, service club sponsor, parent, or any individual adult who wishes to make the world a better place:

## We challenge you to help PA's youth Do52!

What is **Do52!**? It's a campaign created by youth, for youth, dedicated to spreading the spirit of volunteerism throughout the young people of Pennsylvania.

Designed by us, the Youth Advisory Council of Pennsylvania's State Service Commission, the concept is simple: each youth volunteers at least <u>one hour a week</u> – that's <u>52 hours a year</u>. If each young person in Pennsylvania joined in, over **89 million** hours of service will be performed!

So, how to participate? Service hours are simply recorded on the log sheet (feel free to make as many copies as needed), which is then signed by a parent/guardian or a service group sponsor and sent to PennSERVE: The Governor's Office of Citizen Service. Instructions for submission are listed on the log sheet included with this mailing.

While the program is based on one hour of service a week, this is not the limit. We encourage all participants to volunteer as much as they can. They need not wait a year to send in their log sheet: we will gladly accept a log that has at least 52 documented hours served in under a year. However, the time-span cannot <u>exceed</u> one year.

For 52 hours of volunteering, each participant is awarded a Certificate of Recognition from the PennSERVE office, it's board, and our youth council. In addition, Pennsylvania and its communities will be immeasurably improved, and its youth will discover the value in helping others.

However, there is one catch – each participant is then responsible for passing the **Do52!** spirit onto at least three other schools or groups. Help our vision to grow, inspiring more youth to take action in their communities. Pass on this flame, and fire up young people statewide.

Thank you,

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PennSERVE High School Commissioner & Youth Advisory Council Co-chair

P.S. Don't know how to get service hours for youth participants? Visit these websites for ideas:

- www.idealist.org/kt/volunteercenter.html
- www.servenet.org
- www.pittsburghcares.org
- www.philacares.com
- www.bygpub.com/books/tg2rw/volunteer.htm
- www.pointsoflight.org/centers/directory.cfm?State=PA

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