

**Northwest High School  
Cedar Hill, Missouri  
Grades 9–12**

### **Community Collaboration**

Halloween becomes a school-wide service project when high school students rally to provide a safe, fun environment for families to go Trick-or-Treating. The goal is to involve the entire high school community to volunteer their time for the event, dressing up in costumes, supervising games for prizes, and giving out candy to local children. To enhance the service project, students, faculty, and staff collect cans for a charity chosen by the high school students. Attendance has grown over the years from 75 participants to approximately 1,000. The turnout makes the planning required for the festivities well worth it. Beginning at the start of the school year, a group of students is formed to go over past successes and challenges, create invitations, solicit donations from local businesses, and distribute flyers. On Halloween, a large group of students join together at the high school to begin the hours of preparation needed for that evening. Through this labor of love, responsibility, leadership, and teamwork are emphasized in this display of caring for the youth of the community.

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