

# CharacterPlus Partnership Workshop

*“Ready to Serve: Using Service Learning to Educate Students and Improve Communities”*

Service Learning is a unique educational approach that allows students to apply academic learning to meet community needs. Students are supported as they investigate a need. Brainstorming and planning to meet the needs require immediate use of academic learning, making the experience relevant. Students implement the plan, allowing them to take action. Guided reflection helps students identify successes and areas for improvement to inform future work. Finally, celebrations help students realize their impact.

This session will explore the dimensions of service learning. We will study the similarities and differences between service learning and community service projects. Multiple examples of successful projects and implementation strategies will be shared. Participants will also have time to begin brainstorming and creating plans for service learning projects in their school setting, with service learning coaching available as needed.

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## DATE

Wednesday  
April 17, 2024

## TIME

8:30pm - 3:30pm  
Lunch on Your Own

## LOCATION

CharacterPlus  
2025 Craigshire Road, Suite 150  
St. Louis, MO 63146

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