

WE'RE SO HAPPY TO SEE YOU!

<u>WHAT IS VITA</u>

- ★ Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) in partnership with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS)
- ★ Service designed for low-to-moderate income individuals
- ★ Individuals with incomes of \$10,000 - \$53,000
- ★ Why GSMST's VITA program is special

VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE



WHY VOLUNTEER?

3.7 million

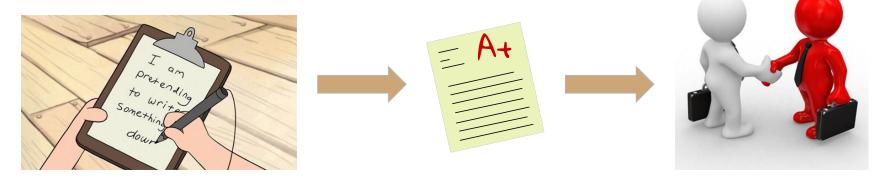
people need help filing their federal tax returns every year.

- ★ As a teenager, you're helping adults
- ★ Resume
- ★ Real-life skill
- ★ Service hours (certified by NHS and Beta Club)
- ★ Unique experience

WHAT DO WE DO?

"WE FILE TAXES FOR LOW INCOME FAMILIES FOR FREE."

- 1. Certification course training
- 2. Certification test
- 3. Volunteering at the site



<u>CERTIFICATION COURSE (Sept-Dec)</u>

- ★ Meetings are lecture and problem based, more group work this year
- ★ Real tax forms to practice with
- \star Kahoots for new info and solidifying old concepts
- ★ Online software
- ★ Materials (free)
- ★ FAQ: Is there a lot of math involved?
- ★ FAQ: How much time do I need outside of the meetings?



CERTIFICATION TESTS (Jan-Feb)

- ★ Volunteer Standards of Conduct Test
- ★ Intake and Quality Review Test
- ★ Basic Certification Test
- ★ Advanced Certification Test (optional)
- ★ Very similar to workbook problems ;-)
- ★ Pass with $80\% \rightarrow Congrats!$ You're certified!
- ★ 10 service hours for successful completion



VOLUNTEERING AT THE SITE (Feb-April)

- ★ What's a "site"?
- ★ Partnership with Georgia Gwinnett College (GGC)
- ★ Every Saturday from February to April @ 9 AM to 12 PM
- ★ 6 GSMST volunteers + 5 GGC volunteers
- ★ Work in pairs
- ★ You are not held responsible for any errors made (quality review process and VITA policy protection)
- ★ Volunteer hours given for the hours you work



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<u>LOGISTICS</u>

- Meetings every Thursday from 3-4 PM
- ★ Dr. Funk's room (Room 2.012, West Wing near bus lane doors)



(not this kind of volunteering)

- ★ Mandatory to volunteer 2
 Saturdays in order to redeem any service hours
- ★ If you need transportation help on Saturday, get to the school and we can pick up/drop off from there

DO OUR INTERESTS MATCH?

Us:

IRS certification, serving the community

You?

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Whew, that was a lot.

Questions?



Take out your laptop/phone and go to kahoot.it !

