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Schools Teach Civic Responsibility

(NAPSA)—By engaging in community service, young people at independent schools across the nation are also developing academic, workforce and citizenship skills, while broadening their perspectives.

At most independent schools, service is a way of living that is woven into the fabric of the school.

"Independent schools are strengthening the spirit of civic responsibility and are helping to realize a new culture of citizenship, responsibility and service in America," said Patrick F. Bassett, president of the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS). Together with 35 partner organizations NAIS is focusing attention on how this approach to education benefits students.

Independent schools aim to foster in students a commitment to the community and motivate students to give their time, talent and energy to help people in need. Students volunteer in places such as hospitals, civic organizations, schools and sometimes far outside the community.

To learn more, visit www.isadvo cacy.org/communityservice.