



Debunking Superstitions About Volunteering

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No tricks, just the truth about making a difference with Equiduct.

As students, athletes, and culturally diverse individuals, we all have our own superstitions. Whether you have a lucky pair of socks you wear only on game days or a ritual you perform right before exams, we all like to feel reassured about our fate. Halloween brings its own set of superstitious myths that persist throughout October: Friday the 13th, a black cat crossing your path, and a full moon causing strange, unexplained behavior are all associations we make based on stories we've heard, watched, or told.

This Halloween season, Equiduct is debunking common myths and misconceptions about volunteering and tutoring because the only scary thing about them is how efficient we make them!

Myth #1: "If I volunteer, I won't have any time for schoolwork and a social life."

At Equiduct, we understand that college students must maintain a delicate balance between assignments and seeing friends all in one week, for 15 straight weeks. That's why we want to make it as easy as possible to give back as you give us your valuable time. Equiduct works around your schedule, so you can choose from multiple days, locations, and time slots to give just two hours a week.

Myth #2: "I'm not smart enough to tutor. I need tutoring myself."

Don't worry, Equiduct programs mainly support 4th-8th graders. You don't need to be proficient in the subjects you're teaching or have any prior tutoring experience,

just as long as you are committed to helping Lansing youth grow. Reading and math lessons are low-level and teachable for college students in any year and major. A smile and a reassuring word go a long way toward building a child's self-esteem.

Myth #3: "I don't have a car, and I'm not sure I can find reliable means of transportation."



Lucky for you, Equiduct coordinates volunteer carpools. This way, volunteers can arrive at tutoring locations without the hassle. In addition, these organized carpools can bring a sense of community. You never have to tutor alone, and you can build bonds with other volunteers along the way.

Want to get involved?

Learn more and sign up at equiduct.org

