# **Neumann University Core Values**

Neumann University RISES on the values of Reverence, Integrity, Service, Excellences and Stewardship and lives the actions these values inspire.

Directions: Select (or invite students to select) one or more of the Core Values for a reflection paper, for discussion, or as the basis for a creative presentation. Students might share their reflection in writing or as part of an oral presentation.

## **REVERENCE**

- ❖ We honor as sacred the worth and dignity of each person.
- ❖ We celebrate our relationship as sisters and brothers with one another and all creation.
- ❖ We create a compassionate, welcoming, and reconciling community.

What did you learn about Reverence through this service-learning experience? How did you, the persons with whom you served, and/or your community partner demonstrate Reverence as described above?

## **INTEGRITY**

- ❖ We speak the Truth in Love.
- ❖ We act fairly, honestly, and ethically at all times.
- ❖ We accept responsibility for the consequences of our actions.

What did the service-learning experience teach you about Integrity?

# **SERVICE**

- \* We serve with humility, compassion, and love.
- ❖ We challenge unjust structures and work for peace, justice and social transformation.
- ❖ We embrace service as a life-long commitment.

Reflect upon the service you provided. Using one or more of the statements above, evaluate your manner of service.

#### **EXCELLENCE**

- ❖ We perform to the best of our ability the responsibilities entrusted to us.
- ❖ We practice cooperation, rather than competition, in the quest for excellence.
- ❖ We encourage our students to achieve their highest potential.

# Consider your service experience. How did the experience invite you to demonstrate Excellence?

## **STEWARDSHIP**

- \* We receive gratefully, use carefully, and share generously the resources available to us.
- ❖ We care for creation as a sacred Gift from God.
- ❖ We promote the equitable distribution of all the world's resources.

During your service experience, what opportunity did you have to "Steward" the resources entrusted to your care? What did you learn about the equitable or inequitable distribution of resources? Is there any action to which you feel called in light of your experience?