

## COMMUNITY CANNED FOOD DRIVE Teachers and Principals

Dear Principals and Teachers,

Thank you so much for helping us with our Community Canned Food Drive. This food drive is being organized by a group of parents from District 34, Our Lady of Perpetual Help and District 30. The purpose of our group is to share ideas about how we can best support our children and their schools and, when appropriate, coordinate joint projects such as this one. This is the second year we have been running the Food Drive in conjunction with Character Counts.

Newsletters have been running a flyer advertising the collection. Now the event is upon us. The plan is to run a school-community food drive **next week** in conjunction with Character Counts. Schools will be given boxes for each grade level. **We ask that these be placed in a central location and that teachers allow students to drop the food in the appropriate grade level box BEFORE 10:30am.** We have arranged for parent volunteers to come in daily and count up the cans for each grade level. The cans will be removed every day.

A running bar graph will be available on the D34 website during the week, listing the totals **BY GRADE LEVEL**. Our intent is to get children thinking community-wide rather than individual school. For example, the Third Grade total would include all cans donated from third graders at Hoffman, Pleasant Ridge, Glen Grove, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Westcott and Willowbrook schools combined.

Please go to [www.glenview34.org/he/Canned\\_Food\\_Drive.htm](http://www.glenview34.org/he/Canned_Food_Drive.htm) to see the daily totals. We also invite teachers to use the ongoing bar graph in any curriculum projects that seem appropriate. If you take digital photos of these activities, e-mail them to Caryl Doetsch and she will post them on our Food Drive page. Her e-mail address is [cdoetsch@glenview34.org](mailto:cdoetsch@glenview34.org). You can also include lesson descriptions that might not be so photogenic and they will be listed as well.

A volunteer parent will be contacting principals to drop off boxes. A list of school volunteers and a quick checklist can be found on the next page.

The Northfield Food Pantry is in great need; this is a wonderful school community event and we hope you will help us make it extremely successful. If you have any questions please contact me at [awatcohn@aol.com](mailto:awatcohn@aol.com) or 847/657-6046

Sincerely,  
Ann Cohn

## **CANNED FOOD DRIVE FOR NORTHFIELD FOOD PANTRY NOTES**

1. Boxes marked with grade levels will be located at a central place in your school building.
2. Allow students to deposit cans in their grade level box by 10:30 am each day.
3. Cans will be counted by parent volunteers each day.
4. Go to [www.glenview34.org/he/Canned\\_Food\\_Drive.htm](http://www.glenview34.org/he/Canned_Food_Drive.htm) to see grade level totals, updated daily.
5. The totals will be in the form of a bar graph so appropriate curriculum activities are invited. Send any digital photos or written descriptions to Caryl Doetsch at [cdoetsch@glenview34.org](mailto:cdoetsch@glenview34.org) for inclusion on the website.
6. This is just for the week of October 23- 27.

### **School Contact Person**

OLPH – Katie Saletta, Joannie Dowdle, Mary Pat Faoro & Laurie Haracz  
Lyon/Pleasant Ridge – Ann Cohn  
Henking – Mary Patronik  
Hoffman – Ann Cohn  
Westbrook – Julianne Tripple  
Glen Grove – Mary Riley  
Attea – Ann Cohn  
Springman – Linda Heberton  
Westcott/Willowbrook/Maple – the school principals