

# Thank you for your donation and your interest in Loudoun County Public Schools Backpack Coalition Program!



## LEF / LCPS Backpack Coalition Program

is a District-approved supplemental program to the school's existing Backpack Coalition Program that provides a food-insecure child a better chance to focus on school studies.

We coordinate with Loudoun Interfaith Relief, and Blue Ridge Area Food Bank to develop a process to purchase food for food-insecure family's currently needing support. We collaborate with 100WomenStrong, Blue Ridge Area Food Bank, Loudoun County Interfaith Relief, Loudoun Education Foundation, Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce, Palmercare Chiropractic, CIGNA, Corporation, small businesses and Loudoun County citizens to ensure no child goes hungry.

In School Year 2016-17 there are **82 schools** with a total of **3,683 students** enrolled in the Backpack Coalition Program. Of the 82 schools, the **LCPS Backpack Coalition Program filled the gap for 24 schools, serving 1339 students** ensuring children have food for the weekend.

Since the 2014 Spring Pilot program, the Backpack Coalition has increased its students by more than 1000%. And, more than 1/3 of all students receiving food on weekends get their food from the Backpack Coalition Program!

There were 44 organizations within Loudoun County that supported our schools' Backpack Coalition program. However, many schools did not have organizational support and through **YOUR** donation, LCPS Office of Outreach Backpack Coalition Program was able to support those schools in need! **100%** of funds donated were used to purchase food through Blue Ridge Area Food Bank's Feeding America program. The food was delivered to the Loudoun Interfaith Relief warehouse in Leesburg where we also pack and distributed the family-style food by volunteers for those hungry students who need it on the weekends.

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## Our Mission

Loudoun Education Foundation / Loudoun County Public School's Backpack Coalition Program provides support to an existing school's existing Backpack Coalition Program when funding/or food is not available for food-insecure children.

## Our Vision

Loudoun County Public School's Office of Outreach Backpack Coalition Program envisions a culture where 100% of the families that need our support receive food; allowing the students to focus on their education.

## Your Generosity at Work

100% of your donation goes to buying the food from Blue Ridge Area Food Bank for the LCPS Backpack Coalition Program.

## Donate

2017 tax-deductible donations are being accepted through:

LEF (Backpack Coalition Program)

Attn: Dawn Meyer

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Donate at

<http://lef-va.com/backpackcoalition.html>.

Learn more about the LCPS Backpack Coalition Program and Like us on Facebook/LEF-Loudoun County Public Schools Backpack Coalition Program.

# 2016-17 LEF/ LCPS Backpack Coalition Program

## January 2017

LOUDOUN COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
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## LEF/LCPS Backpack Coalition

The Backpack Coalition Program is a program in the Loudoun County Public Schools' Office of Outreach that supports and/or fills the gaps of existing school programs which provides food for hungry students during the weekends and extended breaks allowing the students to focus on learning. **How can you help?** Donate at <http://lef-va.com/backpackcoalition.html>.

**Hunger Doesn't Take Weekends Off**

Since the beginning of School Year 2016-17, there are 82 schools with a total of 3,683 students enrolled in the Backpack Coalition Program. Of the 82 schools, the LCPS Backpack Coalition Program filled the gap for 24 schools, serving 1339 students ensuring children have food for the weekend. Since the 2014 Spring Pilot program, the Backpack Coalition has increased its students by more than 1000%! And, more than 1/3 of all students receiving food on weekends get their food from the Backpack Coalition Program!

FY School Year	Students Eligible to Receive Free & Reduced Lunches	Total Students Receiving Food on Weekends from Various Sources	Students Receiving Food on Weekends from Backpack Coalition	% Served by Backpack Coalition
2013-14	12,541	1607	133	8.3%
2016-17	13,529	3683	1339	36.4%
% increase from 2013 to 2017	<b>108%</b>	<b>229%</b>	<b>1007%</b>	

# 1,339

So far in School Year 2016-17, we have served family style food to **1,339** food-insecure students weekly through the LEF/LCPS Backpack Coalition. Average **cost per week was \$6.695!**

**Meal Plans**

Menu Plan 1	Menu Plan 2	Menu Plan 3	Menu Plan 4
1 box of Pancake Mix	1 box of Oatmeal	1 bag of Pancake Mix	1 box of Oatmeal
2 boxes of Mac n Cheese	2 boxes of Mac n Cheese	1 jar of Peanut Butter	2 cans of Tuna
1 can of Vegetables	1 bag of Pasta	1 jar of Jelly	1 bag of Beans/Rice
1 bag of Beans/Rice	2 cans of Pasta Sauce	1 bag of Beans/Rice	1 can of Vegetables
	1 can of Fruit	1 can of Vegetables	

**Cost:  
\$5 per  
student  
per week**

**For more information:**

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