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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to a new school year! We hope that you and your child/children have gotten off to a great start! We are assessing the need for the Food Backpack program for this year and your input would be very helpful. The purpose of the Food Backpack program is to help stretch your food budget by supplying a few food items for the weekend to students whose families are currently experiencing financial hardship. If you feel this service would be beneficial to you, please complete the information below and return it to your child's school counselor.

Has your child participated in the Backpack Food program before? (please circle)

YES or NO

How many school aged children are in your household? _____

Are there children in your household that are not members of your immediate family? (please circle)

YES or NO

Are the adults in your household currently employed? (please circle)

YES or NO

If you would like your child to participate in the Food Backpack program, please sign below and return this form to your child's school counselor.

Child's Name _____

School Attending _____

Parent's Signature _____

Note: If your child will not eat the food given in the Backpack bags, please contact the school and ask that he/she be removed from the list. This program is intended to assist families that may be experiencing financial hardship and is fully funded through community donations. **Please do not waste the food provided.**