



BACKPACK BUDDIES OF MAPLE VALLEY

Dear Parents or Guardians,

We are pleased to announce that we will continue to offer the Backpack Buddies Program throughout the Tahoma School District. Backpack Buddies of Maple Valley is a program designed to provide nutrition supplementation over the weekend. Participating students will receive an unmarked bag of nutritious food that may include; pasta, fruit juice, milk, oatmeal, snack crackers, granola bars, and fresh fruit. Bags will be picked up from various locations until school is fully back in session. The names of all recipients will only be known by Backpack Buddies and the counselor of their school.

This year we have three options for you to sign up for the program.

- 1.) Go online to www.backpackbuddiesofmaplevalley.org/get-support/ and fill out a form.
- 2.) Email us at backpackbuddiesmv@gmail.com with the information below.
- 3.) Mail us the information below to 20920 253rd Ave SE, Maple Valley, WA 98038.

This fall program will run September 25th until all students are back at school in the buildings full time or until June 18th, 2021; whichever comes first. If your child no longer is in need of our program, we ask that you email us directly at backpackbuddiesmv@gmail.com to cancel. When students are back in school full time, we will shift back to bags being brought home by your student on Fridays. Once you have signed up, you will receive a letter of acknowledgement for your registration. In that letter you will find the addresses and times for bag pick up.

For email and mail participants please include the following for each student:

Student's first and last name _____
Student's school _____
Parent's first and last name _____
Parent's phone number _____
Parent's email _____

By signing up for this program I give permission for my child/children to participate in the Backpack Buddies Program. I understand we will pick up a bag of food on the last day of the week for the duration of the school year. I also give permission for the school counselor to share my child's name with his/her teacher(s) and staff assisting with the food distribution once my child is back in school.

In addition, I agree to hold and save harmless Backpack Buddies of Maple Valley and the Tahoma School District, its School Board and Employees, and assigns for any claims, suits or damages, (including but not limited to defense and indemnification) which might result from my participating in the above-described event.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Warmly,
Mindy Gamble
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