



Perry County Backpack Program
2019-2020 School Year

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"Fighting Childhood Hunger One Backpack at a Time"

BackPack Program Instructions

Welcome to Perry County Backpack Program! To ensure the process goes smoothly, we are providing you with a few important details about the program and how it will operate.

Starting on **September 27**, your child's distribution will be sent home with them every Friday that school is in session. If a snow day occurs on a Friday, we will make every effort to send bags home the next day that school is in session but we cannot guarantee this will happen. If your child is absent on a Friday, their bag will be sent home upon their return.

Although this is named the "BackPack Program", you will not actually be receiving backpacks. Previous experience with the program has shown that when backpacks are sent home, families often forget to return them after the weekend. Therefore, each week we will pack your items in grocery bags that will be given to your child and sent home.

If you participated in this program before, you will remember that your child often brought home bags that were quite full. We will be making every effort this year to continue providing as much food as possible while keeping in mind that your child must be able to carry their bag. We acquire food from multiple sources and occasionally the availability of items is low. As a result, you may notice that some weeks have fewer items than others. We apologize in advance for any inconvenience this may cause.

Also, please note that no open food or beverage containers are permitted on any district-sponsored/contracted vehicles used to transport students to/from school. All Backpack participants are required to keep his/her distribution bags and its contents closed until they get home. Participants who violate this policy may be removed from the Backpack Program.

Please note that this program is for elementary school students and district-sponsored Pre-K students only. If you listed older children on your registration application, they were removed from the list.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call your school, the Perry County Food Bank (582-9978) or email the Backpack Program at pcbackpack@gmail.com. You can also follow us on Facebook @PeCoBackPack.

Thank You!!!