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Dear Parents:

In light of the tough economic times facing our area and the financial ramifications caused by COVID-19, we are attempting to help Riverside and Donelson Hills families by making sure that all of our children have enough food. *"Blessings in a Backpack"* is a program designed to provide students on the free and reduced lunch program with enough food for three meals a day during the weekends. This program is a community based program sponsored by Blessings in a Backpack-Waterford, Community Foundation of Greater Rochester, the Meijer Corporation and the Waterford Community. **The program will continue for students when they return to in-person learning, or when we can figure out a safe packing and delivery system.**

If you agree to take part in this program during this school year, your child will receive a plastic, non-returnable bag filled with **purchased** food for the weekend. The simple meals may include food like macaroni and cheese, beef ravioli, canned chicken, canned tuna, granola bars, peanut butter, soups, juice and other items. For you there is no cost associated with this program.

If you would like to have your child participate in this program, fill out the form below and return it to your child's school **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.** If you have more than one child attending the school, list the names of all children in this school.

Please be sure to indicate on the form if your child has any food allergies. If your child has a food allergy, you as the parent are responsible for checking all food labels when the food arrives home. Waterford School District as well as Blessings in a Backpack-Michigan, Community Foundation of Greater Rochester and Meijer will not be held responsible for any accidental food allergen exposure.

Sincerely,

(Name of Principal) Principal		
Yes, I would like my child(ren) to participate in the "Blessings in a Backpack" program		
Student's Name(s)		
Address		
City	State	Zip code
Teacher's Name		
Parent's Signature		
Food Allergies		







"Inspire, educate and empower our students for their future!"