

Christmas for Kids Foundation

Dear School Personnel,

It is the time of year we kick off our “Christmas for Kids” program. The date for this year’s event is Wednesday, December 1st, 2010. As usual, the event will take place at the Hollywood West Fred Meyer.

This letter is asking for your continued help to ensure this event is a wonderful day for many of Portland’s most needy children.

Last year’s event was a huge success. We shopped with 199 children for much needed clothing, and purchased many items for their siblings. All household siblings under the age of 18 if still going to school, or siblings too young for school, are included in the shopping child’s wish list. Columbia Sportswear donated a winter coat and hoodie for each child shopping, and has made a commitment again for this year’s event. Fred Meyers continues to do a wonderful job hosting our program, as well as providing a very generous discount. Our local law enforcement officers will once again provide a stuffed animal to every shopper. The day will end with a picture with “Santa”.

We need your help to start collecting the names of children to be nominated. We wish to target kindergarten, first, and second grade children. We want to find the most needy students from your school.

We have attached the nomination form for you to list three children and one alternate. Please make sure that we have the names and ages of ALL children in the household who are eligible. We appreciate the difficulty involved with this request, but the information will provide additional items for the family’s other children.

PLEASE DO NOT INFORM THE PARENTS OR THE CHILDREN OF THIS EVENT. AN INVITE LETTER FOR THE CHILD WILL FOLLOW.

Only the child nominated will attend. That child alone will receive the coat from Columbia Sportswear. Their siblings will receive gifts. The amount of our funding is uncertain until days before the event.

WHEN WE KNOW HOW MANY CHILDREN WE CAN INVITE, AND THE DOLLAR AMOUNT FOR EACH CHILD, LETTERS WILL BE SENT TO THE SCHOOL FOR DISTRIBUTION TO THE PARENTS.

Those letters will arrive at your school by the week of November 15th, for release to the parents Wednesday, November 24th.

If you have questions regarding the completion of the enclosed form, please contact us at the numbers or Email below.

IMPORTANT DEADLINE!! PLEASE MAIL, FAX (503.241.6060) OR E-MAIL (MelindaL@ChristmasForKids.org) YOUR NOMINATION INFORMATION, NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 5TH, 2010.

Thank you for your continued support of our program. We are looking forward to a very special “Christmas for Kids” event this year.

Sincerely,

Melinda Lewis
503.789.6893

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503.704.8697

Christmas for Kids 2010 Nominations

School: _____ Contact: _____

Prioritized Student Names:

1. **Student Name** _____ **Age** _____ **Language** _____

Siblings:

_____ **Age** _____ / _____ **Age** _____

_____ **Age** _____ / _____ **Age** _____

_____ **Age** _____ / _____ **Age** _____

Additional information on the family _____

2. **Student Name** _____ **Age** _____ **Language** _____

Siblings:

_____ **Age** _____ / _____ **Age** _____

_____ **Age** _____ / _____ **Age** _____

_____ **Age** _____ / _____ **Age** _____

Additional information on the family _____

3. **Student Name** _____ **Age** _____ **Language** _____

Siblings:

_____ **Age** _____ / _____ **Age** _____

_____ **Age** _____ / _____ **Age** _____

_____ **Age** _____ / _____ **Age** _____

Additional information on the family _____

4. **Student Name** _____ **Age** _____ **Language** _____

Siblings:

_____ **Age** _____ / _____ **Age** _____

_____ **Age** _____ / _____ **Age** _____

_____ **Age** _____ / _____ **Age** _____

Additional information on the family: _____
