



Once again we will participate in the backpack program. This program works by sending the backpack home on Friday with food in it. The student is required to bring it back on Monday to participate for the next week. This has proven to improve the attendance rate and grades for those students in poverty because they are not going hungry over the weekend. That makes this type of program a win/win project for everyone.

We are taking the opportunity during Lent to provide some much needed support to students in our school system here in Vigo County. It is a sad fact that 25% or more of our school students are at risk for being food insecure or facing no food at all in Vigo County when school is not in session. This is unacceptable and I know we as a church community can help the teachers and other adults who see this every day by working with this program.

The school we have been asked to assist is Woodrow Wilson Middle School. If anyone is unable to purchase the items below, please see David Rose, and he will be happy to purchase them for you.

We will be doing this project the entire season of Lent. If you bring one or more items each week, they will add up and be appreciated more than we will ever know.

Peanut butter (16-28 oz.)

Crackers (small packages, 6 crackers or more in a wrapper).

Individual servings of apple sauce (usually in a 6 pack)

Jelly (small plastic jars)

Beef Jerky

Pop Tarts

Granola bars (individually packaged)

Small packages of dried fruit

Just a reminder: Nonperishable items only and no glass!

