



Marysville School District

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Marysville School District ECEAP students and families give back to the Marysville Community Food Bank

Marysville, WA – Families in the Marysville School District’s Early Childhood Education Assistance Program (ECEAP) understand the important role the Marysville Community Food Bank plays in the lives of their children and school community.

Last month, several parent leaders came together to promote a simple, yet effective fundraising campaign – an aluminum can collection. The project came about as ECEAP students completed a science unit on recycling. Parents and ECEAP staff sought to bolster this lesson by showing the impact recycling has on community success and support.

Families collected enough cans that they were able to donate \$70 to the Marysville Community Food Bank’s Food for Thought Program, a backpack program designed to help relieve childhood hunger by providing nutritious weekend meals to students during the school year.

“Many of our families benefit from the work of the Marysville Community Food Bank, and this important program,” said Marysville ECEAP Program Manager, Joann Moffitt. “They wanted to show how much they care about these services by giving back to the programs that help support them.”

“This is a very exciting connection and fundraising effort put forth by the community we serve,” said Marysville Community Food Bank Director, Dell Deierling. “We are grateful for their contribution to the environment and their incredible passion for making a difference in the lives of families across Marysville.”

Marysville ECEAP families will present a big check to the Marysville Community Food Bank on Thursday, June 7 at 10:15 a.m. at the Marysville Early Learning Center located at 7622 44th Ave. NE Marysville, WA 98270.

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ABOUT THE MARYSVILLE COMMUNITY FOOD BANK AND THE FOOD FOR THOUGHT PROGRAM

The Marysville Community Food Bank was formed in 1985 by several regional service organizations and their dedicated volunteers. Their mission is to enhance the lives of their neighbors by nourishing their bodies, hearts and souls to build a brighter future. The Food for Thought program started in May of 2012 to help children with a high risk of food insecurity. Statistics show that nearly 50 percent of Marysville School District elementary students use free and reduced meals and the program works to ensure these children receive meals at home when the school week is over. The Food For Thought Backpack Program is currently working with all Marysville elementary school counselors to provide these students with weekend meals. The program also provides a “Food Pantry” in all Marysville middle and high schools for students in need. Learn more at www.marysvillefoodbank.org.



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ABOUT THE MARYSVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Marysville School District seeks to engage our community, inspire our students, and prepare our graduates. It is our belief that every child in our community deserves the very best educational experience possible, and every child has the potential to achieve success in life if given the right tools to do so. Learn more at www.msd25.org.

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