

HIGH FIVES &



School Supplies Donation Drive

JULY 17-AUGUST 7, 2020

July 13, 2020

Van Buren County Schools
293 Sparta Street
P.O. Box 98
Spencer, TN 38585

To the Community Partners, Businesses, Churches, and Citizens of Van Buren County:

Here in Van Buren County, our High Fives & School Supplies Giveaway has become an annual tradition. This event has developed into an amazing partnership between community partners and schools to help serve our students and families. We have provided FREE school supplies to more than 200 students each year for the past several years!

In serious consideration of current circumstances around COVID-19, we have decided **NOT** to hold an in-person event this year. Instead, we will hold a **High Fives & School Supplies Donation Drive from July 17-August 7, 2020**. We invite all community partners, businesses, churches, and individual citizens to donate what they can! School Supplies and Monetary Donations (cash or checks made payable to Spencer Elementary School) may be dropped off at the Van Buren County Board of Education Office JULY 17-AUGUST 7 (Monday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. and Friday, 8 a.m.-12 p.m.) Check donations may also be mailed to Spencer Elementary School, 311 Sparta Street, Spencer, TN 38585. Donated supplies will be handed out **AT SCHOOL** to students, who do not bring needed, required supplies as requested by classroom teachers.

Give what you can! We need basic school supplies, such as: wide-ruled paper, wide-rule spiral notebooks, crayons (24-count), liquid glue, glue sticks, scissors, pens (blue, black, and red), colored pencils (12-count), markers (12-count), highlighters, 3-ring binders, rectangle erasers, cap erasers, lined index cards, folders with prongs and pockets, pencil pouches, supply boxes, headphones (for Computer Lab), dry erase markers, and hand held pencil sharpeners. A lot of community partners prefer to give **MONETARY DONATIONS**, which are then used by the schools to purchase school supplies in bulk, at the lowest price possible.

As we begin this new school year with enhanced health considerations, **EACH** and **EVERY STUDENT** will need to have **THEIR OWN SUPPLIES**. Students will not be able to share supplies with other students who do not have their own supplies! That makes the High Fives & School Supplies Donation Drive vitally important to the success of many of our students!

Please contact Kelly Lewis at (931) 946-7371 or email klewis1@vanburenschools.org with any questions.

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