



Dear Oak Street School Families:

For many years, it has been an Oak Street School Tradition that we help needy children in the tri-state area with "Holidays for Children." Each class sponsors a child supplied to us by a local organization that serves as a clearinghouse for various social service agencies.

Each class is provided with a written profile of a child and his/her wish list (which includes something they want, something they need, and something educational). We are asking that **each student bring in a donation of his or her own money, from money saved in a piggy bank, earned by doing some extra chores around the house, or earned by doing a special job for family and friends.** No donation is too small; we wish to offer Oak Street children the opportunity to help someone using their own funds.

Once all donations are collected, each class works together to develop a shopping list based on their budget and the wish list of the child they are sponsoring. A parent volunteer from the class purchases the items on the shopping list, and the class wraps the gifts in early December.

Please send your child's donation to school in an envelope marked "Holidays for Children" by Thursday, November 15th. If you are willing to volunteer to shop for the items or help the class wrap, please contact your classroom parent(s).

Thank you for your support of the project. If your family is interested in sponsoring a child in need during this holiday season, you may contact Ms. Bond at ebond32@gmail.com. There are many other needy children on their waiting list.

Thank you for your support!