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SUPPLYING STUDENTS IN NEED

A PROGRAM OF THE FOUNDATION FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

July 8 – September 30, 2019

Tools 4 Seminole Schools provides free school and classroom supplies to every Seminole County public school through the Free Store for teachers.

The Need:

More than 50% of students in Seminole County – over 33,000 – participate in the free and reduced meals program. Of this number, more than 1,700 are identified as homeless. Families are struggling to provide the basics (food, clothing, shelter), so many times their household budgets don't cover backpacks and school supplies.

Dedicated teachers try to help by spending on average \$500 - \$1,000 of their own money on supplies for their students and classrooms.

It's Easy to Help:

Our goal is to keep our shelves stocked all year with new school supplies, but we need support from the community.

- ☐ Organize a two-week school supply drive between July 8 – September 30 with your business, professional association or civic group.
- ☐ Or, make a financial donation and we'll leverage the funds to purchase the supplies at deep discounts. Please make checks payable to The Foundation for Seminole County Public Schools and note T4SS Supply Drive.

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SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE FAQ'S

Why give the supplies to The Foundation for SCPS and Tools 4 Seminole Schools?

Our partnership with the school district allows us to work with leadership at every school in the district, year-round, so we have first-hand knowledge of exactly what school supplies are needed for students at each school. In addition, it ensures that each student and teacher is given the school supplies and classroom tools needed for them to have a successful school day and productive school year.

Who receives the supplies?

We focus on the schools that have the children with the highest needs. Teachers in schools with more than 60% of students on the free and reduced meals program receive increased access to the store to pick up supplies.

When should we hold our School Supply Drive?

Our campaign runs July 8 – September 30, but the timing of your two-week supply drive is up to you. Whether you want to help us start the school year in August, or wait until the clearance sales at local retailers in September, you'll be providing school supplies we need to operate the store the entire school year.

What supplies do you need the most?

Top 10 list of needed supplies:

1. 12 pack - #2 pencils
2. 12 pack – color pencils
3. 24 pack – crayons
4. Student scissors
5. Pink erasers
6. Glue sticks
7. 8/10 pack – color markers
8. Pocket folders
9. Wide ruled notebook paper
10. Wide ruled spiral notebook

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How do we deliver the supplies?

Donations can be dropped off Monday – Thursday, 8:30am – 2:30pm, at 1780 West Airport Blvd., Sanford. Please call **407-320-7768** or email **Becky_Miller@scps.us** to schedule your visit.

Bring your entire team with you for a great photo opportunity! We want to share the good news on our social media sites.

Or, have a few team members drop off your collected supplies, and then invite our staff to your team meeting so we can thank everyone for their efforts!

Event Timeline

1. Schedule your School Supply Drive (2 weeks is ideal).
2. Create an eye-catching Collection Box and place in a convenient location.
3. Promote the drive with flyers and posters, texts, tweets and emails. The last two pages of this Toolkit can be used in your promotions and are available electronically.
4. Accept financial donations as part of the drive, or better yet, have a small fundraiser.
5. Schedule your donation delivery and bring the team along for a photo opp.



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SHORT ON TIME? CONSIDER A FINANCIAL DONATION.

For every \$1 donated, Tools 4 Seminole Schools can provide \$10 in school supplies to Seminole County students.

