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School Food Pantry Program

Mountaineer Food Bank's School Food Pantry Program Overview

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Mountaineer Food Bank's School Food Pantry Program (SFPP) provides a supplemental food resource for hungry students. It is estimated **1 of every 5 children** do not have enough to eat. A large body of research shows food insufficient, low-income children experience poorer health status, more frequent stomachaches, headaches, and colds than high-income children. Students that are hungry become distracted, unable to learn, miss school more often, and quickly fall behind.

Partnering with Mountaineer Food Bank

While there are many avenues to acquire food and maintain food sources, Mountaineer Food Bank has access to free and inexpensive food as a member of Feeding America. We are a clearing house for USDA commodities and additionally purchase over 1 million pounds of dry goods on a monthly basis that are ideal for school food pantries and can be obtained at minimal cost.

Q: Who are your current partners?

A: Mountaineer Food Bank is a member of Feeding America. We work with more than 440 member agencies. 100+ schools benefit from our back pack program. Currently, we are partnering with multiple schools to offer a school pantry program.

Q: What kinds of foods will be in the pantry?

A: Schools will have access to non-perishable items. Many items are name brand and appealing to youth.

Q: How will the pantry operate?

A: Schools will select a committee to work with us and adapt an operating schedule. We will provide training and operating resources.

Q: Who can receive food from the pantry?

A: Any student who self identifies or is identified by school staff as needing additional food. This can be on a regular or emergency basis.

Supporting School Pantry

Mountaineer Food Bank will partner with schools to establish and maintain school food pantries. Schools will need community sponsors and fundraising to financially support the school pantry. Mountaineer Food Bank will collaborate with schools in order to maintain food levels and establish a delivery schedule.





For more information

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Sample Pricing Guide

Below is a **SAMPLE** pricing guide. Aside from food items, at times we may have personal care and hygiene products. Your school is responsible for providing financial support to the pantry program. Mountaineer Food Bank encourages donations to be directly sent to us at 484 Enterprise Drive Gassaway, WV 26624. Donors should place your school's name in the memo section of the check. Mountaineer Food Bank will work with schools to develop an ordering and delivery schedule.

Jig	Peanut Butter	12– 16 oz. jars	\$9.50
NATURE VALLEY	Granola Bars	40– 1.2 oz bars	\$1.35
Tropical Fruit	Fruit Cups	24– 11 oz cans	\$10.50
1224	Mac N Cheese	24– 7.25 oz boxes	\$8.00
	Fruit Snacks	12– 3.1 oz boxes	\$1.00
QUARTER THE WAITERY THE	Oatmeal	220- 1.3 oz packs	\$33.00
y Starkist Churk Light	Tuna	12— 2.5 oz packs	\$7.50
	Ritz Crackers	18—13 oz packs	\$1.35