

Northwest Guilford Area Backpack Ministry



Northwest Guilford Area Backpacks needs a parent(s) to help coordinate Oak Ridge Elementary's Third Grade Class Service Learning Project. The 3rd Grade Class for the past several years has collected food and packed bags for the children in the Northwest Guilford Area Backpack Program (NWGABP).

What is the Northwest Guilford Area Backpack Ministry?

We provide a backpack of nutritious food to food-insecure students to take home on Friday after school. Without this food, many of these students would return to school having eaten little food over the weekend. The schools we serve are Oak Ridge, Summerfield and Stokesdale Elementary as well as Northwest Middle and High School and Northern Middle and High School as well as Summerfield Charter Academy.

What does the ORE 3rd grade class do?

The 3rd graders collect food each month from a menu that we have provided the teachers. Then once a month NWGABP comes to the school with food for the students in one of the 3rd grade classes to pack in bags for the children in the Backpack program.

How can you help?

We need a volunteer and/or a team to coordinate on behalf of ORE with NWGABPs. The individual will be responsible for:

- Making sure the teachers have the menu for the monthly collection of food.
- On the first Tuesday or Wednesday of each month, meet a NWGABP board member at Oak Ridge UMC to pick up food at the backpack pantry – then bring to ORE cafeteria by 9AM.
- With the assistance of volunteers, setup and help an ORE 3rd grade class pack and then deliver the packed food back to ORUMC.
- Coordinate any adjustments to the calendar for scheduled packs.
- Work with NWGABP Volunteer Coordinator on ensuring volunteers come to assist you.

Note: Time commitment is primarily 3 hours a month, usually on the First Wed of each month. You do not have to have a 3rd grader to help.

Can you and/or a friend help? Please email Amy Bruce at abruce22@triad.rr.com if you have any questions and/or would like to help.