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Dear Hauser Parents,

As the holiday season begins, it is time for Hauser families to start planning for the 40th annual food drive for the Salvation Army. Hauser has been the number one collector of food in Illinois for the last 39 years. During this time our students have collected 1,430,430 cans and boxes of food. Last year we donated over 64,000 food items to the Salvation Army. We have included some pictures of last year's food display.

Hauser has earned a tremendous reputation for its generosity over the last 39 years. A few years ago, the *Chicago Tribune* mentioned that food Hauser students donated to the Salvation Army helped out over 100 families in the Chicago neighborhood of Englewood.

We all know that our current economy has taken a toll on families, businesses and philanthropic organizations. Food pantries are reporting a reduction in donations and personnel that serve in needy communities. These organizations have also seen a dramatic increase in the number of people who need assistance and the cost of food has been rising over the years. The Salvation Army is counting on Hauser, once again, to fill the shelves of its food pantries.

IMPORTANT FOOD DRIVE DATES - 2010

November 29th – December 1st

Advisory meetings to discuss the ground rules for the drive.

Thursday, December 2nd

Food collection begins after school.

Friday, December 3rd

First day to turn in food and money **before** school.

Parents/volunteers will be in main hallway to receive food.

Morning food collection is from **Friday, December. 3rd- Wednesday, December. 15th.**

Checks should be made payable to Riverside Public Schools.

Sunday, December 5th

First night delivery at Hauser from **7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

Beat the morning rush and bring in your food and money at night!

Saturday, December 11th

Truckload of food from Ultra Foods will be delivered to Hauser.

We need **parent and student volunteers! (10-15 please)** to help unload the truck, which will take about 90 minutes.

Please arrive at Hauser by **10:30 a.m.**

If you would like to volunteer to help, please email Joy Brabec at brabecj@district96.org or Kathie Kunish at kskunish@speakeasy.net



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Sunday, December 12th

Second night delivery from **7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

Tuesday, December 14th

Set up of risers, tables, and heavy items used for the display in the auditorium
from **3:30 – 5:00 p.m.** **Parent volunteers are needed!**

Wednesday, December 15th

Last morning students can bring in food and money.
All students who bring in **200+ cans/boxes** of food will **set up** the food display after school.

We encourage all parents and community members to view the
food display from **6:30 -9:00 p.m.**

Santa will arrive at Hauser at 7:00 p.m.

All children are invited to have their picture taken with Santa!



Thursday, December 16th

The food will be on display from **7:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**
Students will load the Salvation Army trucks in the afternoon.

We thank you, the families of Riverside, North Riverside, Brookfield and Lyons in advance for your continued support of one of Hauser's oldest traditions. If you have any questions about the drive, please call us at 447-3896 or email us at

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