



Birchwood
area food pantry

P.O. Box 201
Birchwood, WI 54817

August 2025

BACKPACK PROGRAM FOR BIRCHWOOD SCHOOL KIDS

Dear friends and partners in the Backpack Program,

We are about to begin our 15th year of the Backpack Program! Many of you have been with us since the beginning in 2010. We've changed a lot during that time, improving each year along the way. This year will be a transition year as Holly Herland and Peg McLaughlin will be turning over their duties to new backpack coordinators Patty Reiten and Pat Zemaitis. We want to thank Holly and Peg for all their years of service with the program.

We are totally funded by private donations, and we work hard to spend your money wisely. With the rising cost of groceries, we expect to see an increase in the number of students we serve. We try each year to make the menu healthier for the kids with fresh fruit, juices, cheese, healthy snack bars and a variety of other kid friendly foods. We also supply the school office and counselors with healthy snacks for those students who stop by and are in need of a snack.

With your continued support, we will be able to ensure that our kids have enough to eat over weekends and vacations when school breakfasts and lunches are not available.

If you would like to help fund this program and become a Backpack Pal, we're asking for a donation of \$225.00 annually or \$25.00/month. However, your donation in any amount is gratefully accepted and ever so much appreciated!

Please make checks payable to the Birchwood Area Food Pantry and designate Backpack Programs in the memo and send it with the completed form that is on the back of this letter.

The Birchwood Area Food Pantry, PO Box 201, Birchwood, WI 54817

Thank you so much for your continued support!

Patty Reiten and Pat Zemaitis
Co-Backpack Program

Send to: Birchwood Area Food Pantry, P.O. Box 201, Birchwood, WI 54817

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