Washington Township School District



Dear Brass Castle Families,

The holidays are a time for us to enjoy being with our families. However, many Americans serving in our Armed Forces are not able to do that. We at Brass Castle want to let our troops know how important they are to us, and that they are in our hearts during this special season. Our school will be partnering with Rolling Thunder, an organization that supports armed forces serving overseas, with the collection and distribution of a "Rainbow" of items to send to troops in Afghanistan for the holidays. These include personal items like hand sanitizer, baby wipes, and tissues, as well as treats such as nuts, jerky, hard candies, gum, and protein or cereal bars. We will collect donations beginning on Monday, November 11th (Veteran's Day) and continue through Thursday, November 14th. Please see the reverse side for details on our Rainbow.

Thank you in advance for helping to make the holidays a little brighter for those who serve our country!

This is a SAMPLE list of items that can be collected. Any hygiene product or non-perishable item is an excellent item to include in the care packages. Remember these folks are far from home. Think about what you like and would miss if there was no store nearby. We **cannot** collect jar, aerosol, or expired items.

batteries (any size) beef jerky body wash canned nuts Chap stick coffee/tea bags cough drops dental floss emery boards envelopes eye drops feminine products hairbands liquid soap microwave soups/foods OTC aspirin, allergy medications peanut butter shampoo small cereal boxes **SPAM** toothpaste trail mix

tuna/chicken foil packets

wrapped snacks disposable razors boxed mac & cheese condiments crossword books q-tips shaving cream fruit roll-ups/snacks saline nasal sprays hot sauce hard or chewy candy instant oatmeal toothbrushes sunglasses small powdered drink mixes microwave popcorn denture cream greeting cards playing cards mouthwash (small plastic) Vienna sausages

gum jelly protein/granola/cereal bars crackers wool socks (white or green) baby wipes sardines hand lotion hand sanitizer combs canned fruit (pop-top) Slim-Jims body powder instant soup air freshener bug spray canned cheese Pop-Tarts flip-top canned meats small tissue packets/boxes salad dressing cookies

deodorant

We will collect a **Rainbow** of colorful donations:

suntan lotion

foot powder/cream

Monday: Any red, white, or blue items Tuesday: Any fall-colored item

Wednesday: Any spring-colored item Thursday: Rainbow day-all colors