

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Your child has been identified as eligible to participate in the Backpack Buddy program through VISTO. During the school year, each participating child will be provided with a backpack containing two days' worth of food for each school aged-child who qualifies. The backpack is your child's to keep. One backpack per every three children will be issued.

Each Friday, the backpacks will be filled with nutritionally dense, child-friendly foods. Please help your child learn how to make the food last throughout the weekend. It is the responsibility of the child to return the backpack by Tuesday of each week in order for it to be refilled for the next weekend.

The contents of the backpack food will change frequently, please discuss any food allergies that your child may have with your child and make sure they know what foods they should not eat. VISTO does not have information regarding your child's allergies so it is imperative that your child is aware of his/her own allergies.

Sometimes we take pictures for publications in newsletters, brochures, or local news stories. Do we have permission to photograph your child/children for this purpose? YES _____ NO _____

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Total number of people in household: _____ Total monthly income: _____

Parent's Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name of School: _____

Number of Children Participating per family: _____

