



Dear Southside Families,

We are excited to launch our annual Care-A-Thon! This is our chance to make an impact in our community by demonstrating love and kindness by serving others. The Care-A-Thon is also our main fundraiser of the year. Our goal for this fundraiser is \$45,000 which will bring us to the top of our fundraising thermometer. **We need your help to make this successful!**

Funds raised from this fundraiser impact all students at the school preschool-8th grade. Last year we were able to assist with tuition for all qualifying families, install new flooring in several areas throughout the school, purchase additional chromebooks and tablets, update classrooms with fresh paint, grow our art program, and give the teachers a raise. This year our areas of focus are: new flooring in classrooms (preschool and elementary) and the library, technology that needs updating, improvements to the playground, grow our music and STEM programs, teacher raises and raise funds for tuition assistance for families who would love to be able to continue to stay at Southside or attend Southside.

How does the Care-A-Thon work? What do I need to do?

First step - Acts of Service: Please brainstorm ideas with your student on how they can show love to others through acts of service. Students will also be doing an act of love as a class with their teacher. Fill out your plan on the “My Service Plan - Love In Action” section in the pink box attached to your donor form.

Second step - Set Up Student Online Donation Page: You should have received an email from us through Jupiter inviting you to set up your online donation page. Follow the instructions in the email. If you have any questions or problems, please contact Marie Darling at darling@southsidechristianschool.org or 509-838-8139.

Third step - Seek Pledges: Students will seek pledges for their acts of service. These can be local pledges or from anywhere around the world. You can send your family and friends your student donation page that you created in step 2 or use our generic link to donate from anywhere! You can also use the paper version included in this packet. Turn in your donor pledge form & money collected by February 28th. **You do not need to write your online donations on the form.**

Fourth step - Complete the acts of service: Each class will be doing an act of love as a class. Please make necessary arrangements for your student to be successful in completing their service plan that you made as a family.

Prizes:

Individual Prizes: First \$100 raised, the student will earn a Southside draw string bag! For every \$200 donated after that, the student can pick a color of our special Care-A-Thon t-shirt. Shirts are emerald green, maroon, dark purple or black. Fill out the slips attached as appropriate.

Class Prize: For each class that reaches their class goal, the teacher has picked out a special treat for them, such as a pizza party, root beer float party, etc.

School Prize: The class that brings in the most amount of money will get to duct tape Mrs. Downs to the playground.



Yours with \$100 in pledges!



Which class will duct tape Mrs. Downs to the playground this year?

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All information can also be found on our website on the Care-A-Thon page under Fundraising