

17th Annual Backpack & School Supply Collection Program



Summer is almost here and the children will be out of school. That means it is time once again, for MEED's Backpack & School Supply Collection Program. We are in our 17th year of running this worthwhile project.



Please help us
'STUFF THE BUS'
 with your donations of backpacks and school supplies.
 The need is so great!



FACTS:

- Currently there are 93,356 students in the Denver Public School system.
- Over 63,958 of them take advantage of the free/reduced cost lunches.
- 2,113 DPS students are completely homeless, and do not have the necessary supplies to attend school.
- Last year we collected 1,476 backpacks, helping the youth and disadvantaged families.

Drop Site for Backpacks & Supplies

If you would like to help us please bring backpacks and school supplies to the drop site. **Do not provide office supplies**, only school supplies. Call us to schedule a drop off or a pick up.

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 (The bus will be at this location. Please call before dropping off your donation)

BASIC SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST

Kindergarten-5th

- Backpack (no wheels)
- Tissues (boxes)
- 4 Dry erase markers
- 2 Boxes of crayons (24 ct)
- 4 Spiral notebooks-wide lined
- 2 dz #2 pencils
- 1 Pair of 5" pointed scissors
- Plastic school box/pouch
- 2 Bottles of washable glue
- 4 Glue sticks
- 6 Pocket folders with brads
- Composition book (wide rule)
- 2 Pink erasers
- 1 Box of markers (10 ct)
- Antibacterial wipes

Middle School/High School (6th-12th)

- 1 Backpack (no wheels)
- Tissues (boxes)
- 6 Pocket folders with brads
- 1-2 Binders (1 to 2 inch)
- Notebook paper(college ruled)
- 2 dz #2 Pencils
- Plastic school box/pouch
- 2 dz Mechanical pencils
- 2 dz Pens (blue, black)
- 1 5" pointed scissors
- 4 Glue sticks
- 2 Pink erasers
- 1 Pack eraser caps
- 1 Ruler (inch/centimeter)
- 1 Pack index cards
- 1 Pack highlighters
- 1 Box markers (10 ct)
- 4 Composition notebooks
- 4 Spiral notebooks
- 4 Dry erase markers
- Calculator
- Compass/protractor
- Colored pencils
- Index cards
- Antibacterial wipes

Minority Enterprise & Educational Development collects new backpacks and school supplies to distribute to homeless students in the fall. We need your assistance in our efforts to help these children.

Monetary contributions are always welcomed, as well, so that we can purchase the needed supplies.

Organizations/Individuals who contribute will be recognized on the MEED website -- www.meedcolorado.org.

The Backpack Drive begins now and runs through the summer. Deadline for donations is Tuesday, **July 30, 2019**.



ESSA Title Programs at Denver Public Schools oversees the Homeless Education Network, Foster and Kinship Care, Migrant Education and Military-Connected programs. These programs serve over 3,500 students each school year. These programs are dedicated to providing direct support and advocacy to students. The primary objective is to remove educational barriers to help ensure students engage successfully in school and cultivate their unique strengths and talents. Providing the necessary items needed to attend school is the first step. DPS relies on the incredible generosity of the community to provide new school supplies and backpacks to our students.

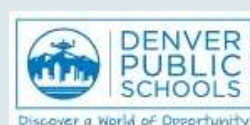
The Stuff the Bus School Supply Drive helps students kick the new school year off ready to learn. When a student receives a new backpack and supplies for school, it is amazing what it does for their spirit.

MEED & DPS are offering a new opportunity for the 2019/2020 drive. You can either make your bulk donations as before or you can make the drive more personal by Adopting a Student. The process is simple and easy:

First Step: Choose student gender boy/girl and a grade Preschool-12th Grade

Second Step: Purchase a new backpack and supplies for your student using the supply list.

Third Step: Drop off your backpack to the DPS Acoma Campus on or before **July 30, 2019**.



We Hope you will find it in your
heart to help
these wonderful children
and
'STUFF THE BUS'



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