

RENVILLE COUNTY BACK-THE-PACK PROGRAM

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BOLD, GFW, RCW, BLHS, Cedar Mountain

The Renville County Back-the-Pack Program is a free meal program that provides weekend meals to children in the county who may be facing food insecurity. It aims to bridge the gap in food security for students from preschool through 8th grade in the Renville County Public Schools, ensuring they have access to nutritious meals when school meal programs are unavailable.

Here is how the program works:

- **Eligibility:** The program is for children in Preschool through 8th grade attending Renville County Public Schools. Parents outside financial need for these meals are asked to decline the service.
- **Registration:** Families interested in the program can register by obtaining a consent form from their child's teacher, school counselor, or Public Health/Human Services.
- **Meal Delivery:** After registration, enrolled children receive a supply of food at the end of each school week, discreetly placed in a generic plastic bag.
- **Allergen Awareness:** It is crucial for parents/guardians to check the meals for potential allergens as they may be present. Children are instructed to only open the meals at home for safety reasons and to avoid giving the impression of not needing the service.
- **Child's Presence:** Children must be present on the day of meal delivery and pick up their own meals.

The program is a 501(c)3 Non-Profit organization supported by local businesses, churches, and cooperatives, dedicated to alleviating hunger in the community.

Please contact Betsy Hennen at (320)522-4803 if you have questions.

(This program is **not** associated with the free/reduced lunch program provided by **BOLD,RCW, GFW, BLHS, CM** Public Schools.)

RCW

Betsy Hennen
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Please complete the form on the back of this page.

2025-2026 Renville County Back-the-Pack Program (RCBPP) Consent Form

Please register my child(ren) for the RCBPP. I understand if the RCBPP has sufficient funds, my child(ren) will receive meals at the end of each week for his/her home use over the weekend.

Please Print Clearly

Child's Name, Grade, School, Teacher

Parent/Guardian Printed Name: _____

Parent/Guardian **Email** /contact number _____

Address: _____