



## Greensburg Salem High School

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Our 7th grade students will soon work in small groups to build an enclosure to protect a pumpkin from breaking when dropped from a certain height. We will be taking the students to **Lynch Field on October 24<sup>th</sup>** to drop the pumpkin from the tower with the help of the local fire department. A secure area will be marked, and every safety precaution will be taken to ensure the safety of all students and teachers in the area. We are requesting materials for the students to complete this project! Essentially, a box is needed with items to cushion the pumpkin. Some groups may want some materials to act as a parachute. This is an opportunity to get rid of some items you may already be throwing away! Below is a list of some items that would be useful!

Suggested items include:

- Empty plastic water bottles
- Boxes - These should be large enough to hold a pumpkin and items to pack around it, but smaller boxes are useful as well!
- Styrofoam
- Toilet Paper (***This will be used for another activity***)
- Bubble wrap
- Old newspaper
- Plastic grocery bags
- Duct tape
- Old fabric or rags
- Old pool noodles
- Bag of marshmallows
- Trash bags etc.

If you are able to contribute any of these items, please send them to school with your child or drop it off in our office by **Friday, October 17<sup>th</sup>**. All donations will be shared among student groups as they construct their pumpkin-protection devices.

This project is a wonderful opportunity for our 7th graders to practice teamwork, problem-solving, and creativity while having a lot of fun. Thank you in advance for your support in helping to make this exciting event a success!