

## BackPack Program Registration Letter to Parents/Guardians

Dear Parents/Guardians,

**Freedom Elementary** is partnering with Feeding South Dakota's BackPack Program to provide food to children throughout the 2017-2018 school year. The program begins in late September and continues through the end of May. The BackPack Program is designed to fill the hunger gap that exists from Friday evening until Monday morning when the children are back in school and have access to the breakfast and lunch programs.

Feeding South Dakota uses donated dollars to purchase the food for this program. Please carefully consider your family's economic status to determine if the food assistance is needed by your child(ren). *The goal of the program is to provide food to children who are hungry on a regular basis. If you are able to make do without this assistance, please allow the program to be used by others with a greater need.*

Name of Child	Grade	Teacher

I agree to allow my child(ren) to participate in Feeding South Dakota's BackPack Program at **Freedom Elementary**. I understand that if my child opens the bag before he/she leaves school, throws food items on the playground or bus, or trashes items on the walk home, he/she will lose the privilege of participating in the program.

I understand that for children with food allergies, BackPack Program items could include ingredients such as nuts, soy, wheat, eggs, and milk. Feeding South Dakota and **Freedom Elementary** will not assume any liability for adverse reactions to food consumed.

By signing this form, I agree to assume any and all risks associated with my child(ren) participating in Feeding South Dakota's BackPack Program.

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Parent/Guardian Signature

Date