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Amanda Tyner, Principal

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To: Smyrna Baptist Church

From: Long Branch Elementary School staff and students

Dear Smyrna Baptist Church,

We would like to thank you on behalf of the students and staff here at Long Branch Elementary School for your dedication, service, and faithfulness in your deliveries of food to our school. Your kindness and giving does not go unnoticed and we appreciate all that you do for us.

With working with students today, there are so many things I cannot tell you but there are so many things I want you to know.

I can't tell you names or information about the children you help but I can tell you that I have students that stop by and ask to make sure they are not forgotten when food bags are passed out.

I can't tell you the names of the children that you help that have siblings that do not live in the same houses. I have a brother that stops by each week to make sure his sister gets her bag of food because he knows she doesn't have food in her house either.

I can't tell you the names of our children that only eat at school and how long the weekend is not to have breakfast and lunch like you do at school. Thanks to the service of Smyrna Baptist, these children have food at home on the weekends.

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But I can tell you this:

I can feel the difference Smyrna Baptist is making in the lives of our children. Thank you for your outreach efforts. Thank you for feeding our children, physically, spiritually, and being the messengers that let our children know that someone loves them and cares enough about them to share by your food deliveries each week.

Thank you so much for the love you share with our community and our students! You all make a difference in the lives of the future of this community and the impact of that alone is enormous.

With our deepest gratitude,

Lou Conner

School Counselor

Long Branch Elementary School