

Help WGS get free merchandise awards

For more than 30 years, Campbell's Labels for Education program has awarded over \$100 million in FREE merchandise to schools nationwide. And this year, America's longest running education program of its kind just got better! Over 150 Campbell products are worth 5 points each, making it easier for Washington Grade School (WGS) to reach their collection goals. To kick-off this year's collection drive, WGS is asking parents, teachers and friends in the community to collect Campbell product proofs of purchase that can be redeemed for free educational merchandise (visit labelsforeducation.com for a complete list of products and point values).

You can help the school earn free merchandise such as computers, audio/visual equipment, physical education equipment, reference books, musical in-

struments or even a mini-van, simply by collecting Campbell product proofs of purchase and forwarding them to WGS.

"This year our goal is to collect 400 points, so we're asking the community to help," said the coordinators for Washington Grade School's Labels for Education program, teacher George Spaulding and parent Penny Johnson. "If we work together, we can build better schools for our children," they noted.

It's easy to help. Simply save product proofs of purchase from any of the following eligible Campbell products and send them to Washington Grade School:

- Campbell's® soups
- Campbell's Supper Bakes® meal kits
- Campbell's™ or Franco-American® SpaghettiOs® pasta

- Campbell's® beans, gravies, and canned pasta
- Prego® pasta sauces
- Swanson® broths and canned poultry
- V8® vegetable juices and V8 Splash® juice drinks
- Campbell's® tomato juice
- Pepperidge Farm® breads, cookies, crackers, and frozen products
- Pepperidge Farm® Goldfish® crackers
- Campbell's® Foodservice products

Visit www.labelsforeducation.com for a complete list of eligible products. For more information on how to be a part of Washington Grade School's Labels for Education collection drive, contact the school coordinators at 503-429-7941. The 2007-2008 program runs until June 1, 2008.

Collect box tops to earn money for WGS

Washington Grade School has recently launched their 2007-2008 Box Tops for Education fundraising campaign. This year the school has set a goal of earning \$400 through Box Tops to purchase P.E. equipment and school supplies.

Box Tops for Education is a school fundraising program started by General Mills in 1996. To date, Box Tops has helped America's schools raise

over \$200 million to buy the things they need but can't always afford, such as library books, school supplies and playground equipment. The Box Tops for Education program offers school supporters three easy ways to earn cash for schools through everyday activities like buying groceries, shopping online and purchasing books. Schools can earn up to \$60,000 each year.

There are several easy ways

to get involved if you want to help the students reach their goal. Collect Box Tops from hundreds of familiar, participating products and send them to Washington Grade School, "Attention Mr. Spaulding - Box Tops Coordinator", 199 Bridge Street Vernonia, OR. 97064. You can also sign up on the Box Tops website at boxtops4education.com. Designate Washington Grade School as the school you wish to support. At the Box Tops website, you'll learn more about the ways you can choose to help at no additional cost to you.

Taek-won-Do taking new students

It's not just the kids who are back in class. Vernonia Taekwon-Do classes started September 17 for returning students. Classes are held Monday and Wednesday nights from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. for Blue-stripe and below; with classes ending at 7:30 p.m. for Blue Belt and above. Classes are held in the Washington Grade School gym.

For people who are interested in joining, Vernonia Taekwon-Do will accept new students in October and March this school year. Open enrollment will be held October 15,

17, 22 and 24 and again on March 10, 12, 17 and 19. These will be the only enrollment periods for this school year.

Vernonia Taekwon-Do is a non-contact school, open to anyone who wishes to learn Taekwon-Do. While every age is welcome, children younger than eight need to have a parent join the class with them. As with any fitness program, you'll have more fun and stick to it better if you join with a friend.

For any questions please feel free to call Orissa Burghard at 503-429-6022.

Scouts: Earn badges at museum

Girl and Boy Scouts of all ages are invited to dig into the region's history and the lives of Native Americans and settlers who peopled it centuries ago. Scout Saturdays are held the first and third Saturdays starting in September and running throughout the school year at the Washington County Museum at Portland Community College Rock Creek Campus.

Scouts attending the one-hour presentations will satisfy achievements and badge requirements as well as receive a Washington County Museum specialty badge. Presenters use exhibits and artifacts from the Washington County Museum's collection to demonstrate how Native Americans and settlers lived.

Heather Ferguson leads all Scout Saturdays presentations. Ferguson combines her nine years of Scouting experience with significant experience and dedication to living history and

historic reenactments. Beaverton Brownie Troop Leader Erica Rooney said, "Heather was great. Tons of information was shared and she related very well to the girls! They enjoyed every minute of the presentation."

The cost for individual Scout Saturdays' participant materials and supplies is \$3.50 for Tiger Cubs, Wolf Cubs, Daisies and Brownies and \$6.50 for Bear Cubs and Junior Girl Scouts. A troop leader or parent must be present on Scout Saturdays. Parking in Lot A in front of the museum is free with a museum permit.

Scout Saturdays are sponsored by the Merrill Family Foundation, the Herbert A. Templeton Foundation, Leupold & Stevens Foundation and the Wheeler Foundation.

Call the Washington County Museum at 503-645-5353 to register or for more information.

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Small and Large Animals



More 4-H results from the county fair

Following are partial results from the 4-H competition at the Columbia County Fair. Due to space limitations, only results within *The Independent's* circulation area are included. More results will be published in the October 4 issue.

HORSE AND PONY

Horse - Showmanship - Senior: Blue Award – Nicole Baker, Rainier; Ashley Ekstrom, Rainier; Lindsay Brown, Scappoose; Molly McCarter, Scappoose; Maiké Fox, St. Helens; Mackenzie Carr, Vernonia; Stephanie Carr, Vernonia.

Red Award – Christy Moore, Boring; Jessica Teeters, Boring; Alishea Jones, Rainier; Jessica

Keene, Rainier; Alexandria Lindahl, Scappoose; Amanda Rose, Scappoose; Lacey Spillman, Scappoose; Jourdan Keim, St. Helens; Courtney Savage, St. Helens; Rebecca Shank, Troutdale; Marissa Clement, Vernonia; Ashley Paleck, Vernonia; Katherine Van Winkle, Warren.

Gaming, Figure 8, Intermediate: Red Award – Teri McGettigan, Warren; Sarah Hanna, St. Helens; Lindsay Paulson, St. Helens; Brianna Carr, Vernonia.

Gaming, Figure 8, Senior: Red Award – Maiké Fox, St. Helens; Nicole Baker, Rainier; Stephanie Carr, Vernonia.

White Award – Jessica Teeters, Boring; Ashley Ekstrom,

Rainier; Jessica Keene, Rainier; Marissa Clement, Vernonia; Ashley Paleck, Vernonia; Katherine Van Winkle, Warren.

Gaming, Barrels, Intermediate: Red Award – Brianna Carr, Vernonia.

Gaming, Barrels, Senior: White Award – Jessica Keene, Rainier; Rebecca Shank, Troutdale; Stephanie Carr, Vernonia; Marissa Clement, Vernonia; Ashley Paleck, Vernonia; Katherine Van Winkle, Warren.

Gaming, Key Race, Intermediate: White Award – Leilani Schmidt, Rainier; Jacy Lessard, Scappoose; Sarah Hanna, St. Helens; Brandy Savage, St. Helens;

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