

Dear Fairhaven Middle School students & families,

Are you in need of support over summer break?

We understand that there are times when students and families are challenged to meet basic needs. This can be difficult, especially during summer and school breaks. This year, Fairhaven Cares is offering some limited support over summer break for our Fairhaven students and families. If this could be helpful, **please fill out this form by Friday, May 11th:** <https://tinyurl.com/ybonz7hv>. (Paper forms are available in the office.) Please know that any identifying information will be kept confidential.

Forms received after Friday, May 11th are not guaranteed to be considered.

Students, families, and staff can contact Fairhaven Cares directly with any questions or needs here: fairhavencares@gmail.com.

Or, if you feel more comfortable letting one of our counseling team know what you or your family needs, feel free to contact them directly (Beth Bacon Beth.Bacon@bellingshamschools.org, Angie Penner Angie.Penner@BellinghamSchools.org).

Thank you!
Fairhaven Cares

[More about Fairhaven Cares below...](#)

Do You Know About Fairhaven Cares? We are Fairhaven families supporting and uplifting other FMS families in times of need. Every student and family in our community is loved and valued, and has a place in our hearts and in our Grizzly community. We are here for you!

We can help with specific needs, such as:

- * Clothing - coats, sports gear, shoes, shirts/hoodies, pants, socks, undergarments, Grizzly Wear
- * Food - meals, snacks, groceries for the week or weekend, holiday meals/gifts
- * Personal care items - deodorant, shampoo, toothpaste/toothbrushes, feminine supplies
- * Laundry detergent OR laundry picked up, cleaned and dropped off confidentially
- * Gas card, utility bill covered, car repair, bus pass, dental work
- * Beds or other furniture, sheets, pillows, blankets, towels, sleeping bags, tents, backpacks
- * Kitchen items - pots & pans, silverware, plates, utensils, toaster oven
- * Baby items - diapers, wipes, baby or children's clothing, baby blankets, etc
- * Place to stay, a ride, someone to talk to, and more...

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Perhaps your family wants to participate by providing resources or extra support?

* You can purchase a one-time or monthly Fred Meyer SCRIP card and request the card(s) be donated to Fairhaven Cares.

* Or, if you'd like to help donate specific items, one time or on a regular basis, email fairhavencares@gmail.com to receive our support team SignUpGenius emails. We'll alert you to needs in our community.

This is a wonderful way to build empathy in our children, as we teach them to appreciate what they have and to joyfully give back to others who may be struggling.

"Alone we can do so little. Together we can do so much." - Helen Keller