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# Letters to Santa Claus

Composed by the students of  
 Mrs. Hill's 2nd Grade Class



Dear Santa,

How are you doing Santa? I was wondering if you can bring me a tablet?

Love,  
 Lisandro

Dear Santa,

How are you? How are the reindeer? I would like a phone and a tablet. I need a hat. Merry Christmas, Sophia

Dear Santa,

How are you? How is everyone at the North Pole? I have been good and bad. Please may I have a necklace? Please may I have a ukulele please? I need a warm jacket please.

Happy holidays.  
 Love,  
 Alyvia

Dear Santa,

Santa I like your elf. I would like some Legos. How are you at the North Pole? I am good at every Christmas Santa. I love you Santa! My last name is Eastham. Have a great Christmas.

Merry Christmas,  
 Madison

Dear Santa,

How is everyone at the North Pole? I have been good. I would like a new Nerf gun and a Nintendo. I need a dirt bike and a Lego city please!!! Have a Merry Christmas!!!!

Love,  
 JT Galligar

Dear Santa,

How are you? How is everyone at the North Pole? I do not know if I was good this year. For Christmas I would like a buildable Dino Megazord and a Bakugan toy. I

could also use a new pair of snow boots. I hope you have a great Christmas Santa!

Love,  
 Nicholas

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas. I would like to have a LOL toy and a monkey. I need some earmuffs please. Happy Holidays, Jaylynn

Dear Santa,

For this year I would like ten LOL surprises, jojo bow, computer, headphones and a Hatchimal.

Love,  
 Kayla

Dear Santa,

How is everyone at the North Pole? I have been good this year. I would like a hat, and \$100 for my Mom. I want some slime and a tablet. Thanks Santa for the presents.

Merry Christmas,  
 Victoria

Dear Santa,

Santa where is my Grandma and Grandpa's elf? For Christmas I would like twin Hatchimals and a Barbie dream camper and house. I hope you have a great Christmas.

Love,  
 Sadie

Hello Santa,

How is Rudolph? How are you? How are the other reindeer? I need \$1,000. I would like a pet cat and a dirt bike with training wheels.

Love,  
 Blake

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like a Nintendo Switch and a phone. Please get

me a First Aid Kit. Merry Christmas,  
 From Ronan

Dear Santa,

How are you doing in 2020? For Christmas I would like to have a doll house, football, and a big coat. I hope you have a great big Christmas Santa. Have a great 2021 year!

Love,  
 Parker

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? How is everyone at the North Pole? I have been good this year. For Christmas I would like a Nintendo Switch and Legos. I hope you have a great Christmas!

Merry Christmas,  
 Grayson

Dear Santa,

How are you? How is everyone at the North Pole? I would like a red guitar and pajamas for the baby that are red. I would also like an elf outfit.

Love,  
 Abbie

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? This Christmas I would like a dirt bike, and my own laptop for when we go in trips. I need new snow pants and new cowboy boots.

Merry Christmas,  
 Love Weston

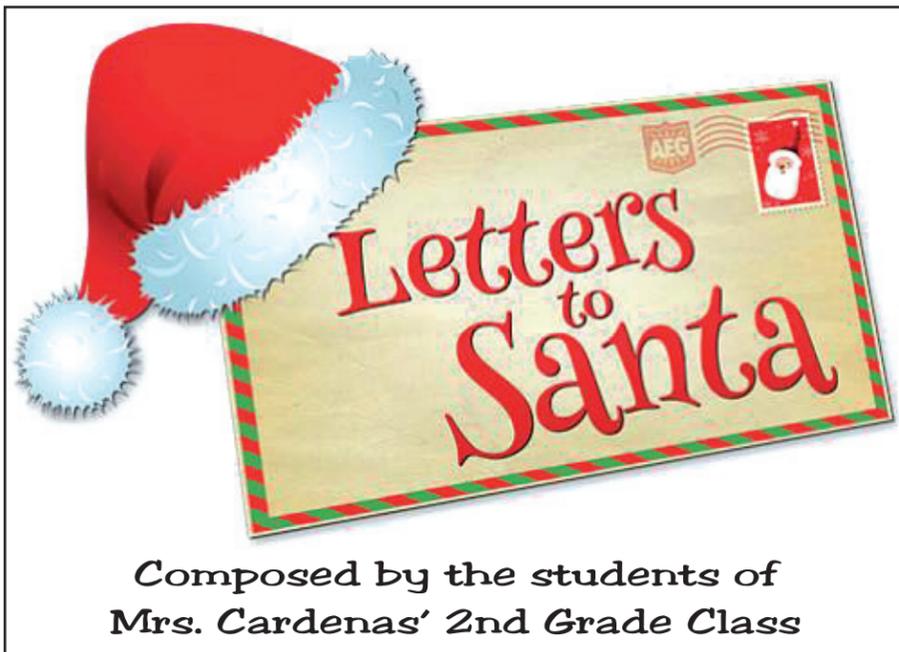
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How are you? How is everyone at the North Pole? I have been good this year. For Christmas I would like a tablet and Lego box set. I need new shoes.

Love,  
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Dear Santa Claus,  
Can I have a unicorn and a husky please Santa Claus. I just love husky please, please, please Santa and lots of cats and dogs. Can I have a Poopsie doll? Are your elves real?  
Sincerely  
Jynezza

Dear Santa,  
How are you? It's been awhile since I last wrote to you. This year, I would like Legos for Christmas. Then, could I please have a car? But I really need a new ski helmet. Hope you have a great day!  
Sincerely,  
Jenaye

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have your Elf! His name is Rudie. He is funny! So funny. I love you Santa. This year I would like a miniature horse. I would like a wolf! An American girl doll, also an American girl doll pet with accessories. One more thing a wolf chapter book.  
Love,  
Grace

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas! How is Rudolph the red nose reindeer? Please don't bring me coal. Can you bring me a spy drone with a remote control screen, and a red cape  
Sincerely,  
Isaac

Dear Santa,  
Is Rudolf real? How are you? How is Mrs. Claus? I would like an elf costume. May I please have one of your real small elves? One more thing Merry Christmas!  
Sincerely,  
Emma

Dear Santa,  
How do the reindeer fly? I wish I was fast. Can you please make me some fast shoes. I would also like a jacket, and a toy dirt bike for Christmas.  
Love  
Harlem

Dear Miss Claus,  
Hi Miss Claus! I have a few questions? Is Santa Claus real? Are your clothes actually red? But any way, may I have a elf for Christmas and a fish

but be careful of mom she says fish are stinky but I do not believe her! Last I would love a robot bird! I kind of need a new water bottle. Love you. Put a hug in your pocket!  
Merry Christmas,  
Joslynn

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing? Is Rudolph being good? I would like a Hot Wheels set and a Power Wheels F-150. I also want an Xbox one. Thank you Santa!  
From  
Joe

Dear Santa,  
Hi Santa! Is there snow at the North Pole when it is summer? How are you? Is it true that it is cold in the North Pole? Can I please have a Nintendo Switch?  
Sincerely,  
Ramiro

Dear Santa Claus,  
How many elves do you have? How is Mrs. Claus? How are you? Can you see the Northern Lights? Ho! Ho! Ho! Can I please get a kids watch and a guitar?  
Love,  
Delanie

Dear Santa and Mrs. Claus,  
Do you have a bad elf? May I have a turkey book? May I have toys too? May I have a toy race car and video games? May I have new Raiders hat? Have a good Christmas!  
By a good kid,  
Gaizka

Dear Santa,  
I want a bicycle and a skateboard. Please!  
From,  
Landyn

Dear Santa Claus,  
Ho! Ho! Ho! I love you Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus. I need new earrings. I also need a new tire for my pink bike. I want new toys! Thank you, Santa!  
Love,  
Kiana

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you? Happy New Year! How much snow is at the North Pole? I was wondering can you get me an old looking stuffed bear for Christmas

please? Also I would like a nature book. Thank you!  
From,  
Eva

Dear Santa,  
Merry Christmas. Do you have a lot of elf's, up there? Is it cold? Is there reindeer? Please can I have five things: I really want a Nintendo Switch, and a game for it would be nice. A wrestling mat so I can practice. Also, I would like a fish, and a black and white goat. Santa can I have a scavenger hunt to.  
Your friend,  
Dylan

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for giving me gifts in the past years. I would like a bicycle, games and toys and if you could fit in some clothes. Thank you Santa Claus, and if you don't have room for all of it that would be okay. I love you Santa,  
Hunter

Dear Santa,  
You are nice. I want a case with Legos and a PS5. I need a dog and a Nintendo Switch. I need Hot Wheels.  
From,  
Alex

Dear Santa Claus,  
How are you? Is it cold there today? I hope I am not on the naughty, are no naughty clues. I hope I can be with my grandma. I also want a new bike and a new backpack. I also want some toy cars. I want a toy action figure.  
From,  
Damian

Dear Santa,  
How are you? I could really use a pair of slippers, a pair of warm pajamas and a good book to read.  
From,  
Drea

Dear Santa Claus,  
Ho! Ho! Ho! Merry Christmas! How are your reindeer doing? How do your reindeer fly and pull your sleigh? This year I want Nerf guns and Hot Wheels please. I have to know how Mrs. Claus is doing this year? I also want Xbox games.  
From,  
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## Dear Santa:

Composed by  
the students  
of Mrs.  
Davies' 2nd  
Grade Class

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the Xbox that you gave me last year, but I wanted a PS4. But THANK YOU!!! I appreciate what you brought me. This year I would like roller skates. Sooo...thank you, I guess! Oh! And I would like a gift card. Santa, I tried to be good at home. Thank you for everything!

Love,  
Elissa

Dear Santa,

I like the things you gave me last year. I miss you Santa. I also miss my family when I'm not with them. I help my mom when she is washing the clothes. I help my dad when he feeds the dog. I helped him bake a cake. This year for Christmas I would like a black dog, a Bendy and the Ink Machine Book, and a Play-Station 4. I love Christmas Eve! Thank you Santa!

Love,  
Jesus

Dear St. Nick,

I love the BB gun that you brought me last year! I've been good this year because I clean my room. I would like an iPhone, a Barbie Dream House and a Barbie, ice skates and a computer.

Love,  
Abbigale

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like new moccasins please and an automatic scooter please. I would like a unicorn or bear please. Santa, may I please have a dress that has unicorns all over it with a matching sweater. Please, may I have a necklace with diamonds and high heels that are blue that match and some glitter? I would love nail polish that is space colored that is sparkly.

From,  
Autumn

Dear Santa,

I am sorry that Mistletoe and Holly Jolly have COVID. Thank you for the set of Laser guns. I would love to have a dirt bike so I can go fast, a long board too so I can do tricks, a dirt bike helmet so I am safe, and LED lights so I can hang out with my friends. I love Christmas!

Love,  
Coltyn

Dear Santa,

Thank you Santa for my

Christmas gift that you gave me last year! I want a phone, computer and a tablet this year. I would also like a baby doll for Grady. I have been helping my mom do dishes and cleaning my room. I also help with dinner. Santa, what's your favorite ice cream up in Snow Country?

Love,  
Lanie

Dear Kris Kringle,

Thank you for the life sized Barbie camper you got me last year. I've rode in it a lot with my sister and brothers. It is an amazing toy. Thank you! Thank you Kris Kringle! I LOVE Christmas also. Thank you for giving me toys since I was little. Please tell your elves thank you for making all of the toys you've delivered. But Santa what are my family elves' names? Do you really go down the chimney on Christmas Eve? Do you really have flying reindeer and Christmas magic? Do you really have a red suit and a long white beard? Do you really have a wife and why do you deliver presents to the whole wide world? Please tell me! This year for Christmas I would like a giant teddy bear that comes with accessories that I can take on and off so I can play with it and sleep with. I would also like a hamster to cuddle with, feed it, and water it! Thank you!

Love,  
Avalynn

Dear Santa,

Thank you for everything you gave me last year. I played with everything. I loved it all. I appreciate it a lot! I tried to be good this year! I clean my room with the boys and take out the trash. I have been helping my mom at home. Thank you for telling the elves to make the toys. I know the elves make a lot of toys for everyone. So can you tell them that I said "thank you" to them. You are nice! I would like a ginormous coloring book, a hover board, a pillow and a snow fox please. Thanks for being awesome!

Your Friend,  
Rosella

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the Nerf gun that you brought me last year. I really appreciate you! Every kid does!

I've tried to set good examples for my little brother Arcadio. I would like an iPad, Bakugan and a Rubik's Cube. I love helping my family because it's fun! Merry Christmas! Tell Mrs. Claus I said "Hi" please.

Love,  
Blake

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the presents that you have given me in the past. I love them! Anyways, this is what I would like for Christmas this year. The first thing I would like is LED lights for my room because I've wanted them for a long time. The second thing I would like is a kid's watch because you can call people on it and play games on it too. The last thing I would like is a pair of air pods because no one can see them and they come with a case.

Love,  
Olivia

Dear Santa,

I like the presents that you gave me last year. They were awesome! Thank you for them and the stuff that you are going to give me this year. Hopefully they're very fun! This year I would like a shovel so my brother and I can dig because it's fun to dig. I would like a fish and a home for it because it's fun to watch fish swim. I would like a hover board so I can ride around the house. Santa, how do your reindeer fly and what are your reindeer's names? I've been trying to help as much as I can and get along with my brother. I helped my mom with stuff and my dad fix cars. I help my mom with dishes and make cookies and hang out with my family. Thank you so much Santa!

Love,  
Bryce

Dear Mr. Claus,

I loved the robot dinosaur and cage that you gave me last year. I love them! I would like an Xbox X this year because I would like to play what is on it. It would also be REAL fun! I would also like an Xbox 360 because my dad needs a new one because dad's old Xbox 360 can't read discs no more. The final thing I would like is a toy Nerf Gun because I need more Nerf Guns. I've tried to be good this year. I took out the trash.

Love,  
Landon

Dear Santa,

Thanks so much for the laser gun you gave me last year. It's so fun! This year can I have a stuffed fox and drum sticks because mine are lost. Maybe, just maybe, you could get me candy because I never really get candy. I've been good, really good because I do my homework really fast so I can play, I take out the trash without being told, and I get

canned foods when my mom doesn't ask me to. So please bring me some presents!

Love,  
Dax

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the presents last year. Those presents were amazing! This year for Christmas I would like slime because it's fluffy, a hover board, some toys, and an iPad. What are the reindeers' names? I've tried to help my mom clean the house and clean my room. I do my homework with my mom or dad. I appreciate you Santa!

Love,  
Andrea

Dear Santa,

Thank you Santa for the things you gave me last year. If you can, I would like a necklace because I wanted one for so long and a guitar because my other one broke and a Nintendo game. I love Christmas and I love my sister, my mom, dad and cousins. I try to be nice to my sister. I help my mom and dad. I help my mom clean my room and I help my dad build. Thank you! Merry Christmas!

Love,  
Dylan

Dear Santa,

I appreciate the toys you brought me last year. I appreciate you and your elves. Santa, I have been good at school and at home. Do you know what I want? I would like a unicorn, an iPhone, and two little Pixy Friends. But just two please so my little sister and brother don't break them. I love that you bring gifts every year!

Love,  
Camber

Dear Santa,

I love the gymnastics mat that you gave me last year. My sister and I have been playing with it, me and Elana too. This year I would like Hollywood Hair and Little Live Gotta Go Flamingo, and a pet hamster. That's three things I would like for Christmas this year. Those things would be fun to play with. Santa, I have been good this year!

Love,  
Avery

Dear Santa Claus,

Thank you for the toys, elves, and you, Santa Claus. I hope you have a good Christmas and I've been good this Christmas because I've played with a lot of people. Tell all the elves "thank you" for all the toys. Thank you for the Legos. If I am good enough then may I have a Cosmo, a Chromebook, and a VR so I can play with a lot of people? I love Christmas and I hope I get some gifts because you are the best person ever. Happy Christmas to all!

Love,  
Korbyn





# Letters to Santa Claus

Composed by the students of  
Mrs. Hunt's 2nd Grade Class

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I helped my Mom decorate the tree. Can I have a Nintendo Switch, a bike, and scooter? I hope you eat the cookies me and mom will make.  
Love,  
Angela

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I help my mom with the dishes. Can I have a PS4 please. I don't have a PS4. Can I have a PS5 for Christmas please can I have LED lights too?  
From,  
Alan

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I helped my sister with chores. I decorated cookies to surprise my mom. I would like some new pants because most are small. I also would like a iPad because I need good grades doing my school-work. I would also like some new shirts because they are too big.  
Sincerly,  
Camila

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I fight with my sisters but I love them. I would like ear muffs because I do not have any. Can I have gloves? Mine are too small. And cow girl hats.  
Love,  
Adalyn

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I have helped my mom do the laundry and dishes. I made my bed. Can I have a toy car that works because my mom and dad won't make one? Can I have blocks so I can

build? Can I have Legos so I can make my favorite Lego house  
Love,  
Elizabeth

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I held the door open for someone. I helped my Mom with dishes. I would like the new Xbox Series X please. Also I would like a RC car because mine broke.  
Sincerely,  
Collyn

Dear Santa,  
I have been good because I cleaned my room. I really want a RV. Merry Christmas Santa.  
Sincerely,  
Laurel

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I helped put up the tree. I would like shoes because I don't have a lot. I would like a jacket because I lost my jacket. I would like a PS5 for Christmas.  
From,  
Anthony

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I helped Dad decorate the fruit tree. I would like a TV in my room because I would like to watch TV. I would also like to have socks because I do not have any.  
From,  
Nora

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I have been good this year by helping my sister, Lily get her stuff on. I also have been good by helping with the lights on the house. I would like a RC truck for Christmas. I

would like it because my brother, Nicolas has a RC car and I would like to race him. I would like a Barbie Surprise kit. I would like it because my other dolls hair are messy and their clothes are torn. I would like this video game called "Mario Party" because I had a lot of fun playing it at Geogia.  
Sincerely,  
Alice

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I helped do my Dad's dishes. I helped my Dad clean the house. I did my homework by myself. I would like a phone. I would like some Legos and I would like a toy car.  
From,  
Timothy

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I've helped my family. I would like Legos because mine are boring now. I would like clothes for my sister because she is outgrowing them. I would like a doll because they are fun. I would like to know how your elves are doing?  
Love,  
Scarlette

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I hold doors open. I help my mom put the Christmas tree. I would like a iPhone 12. Also I would like a PS4 and games. I would like a punching bag. I would like a airpods.  
Sincerely,  
Hagen

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I have helped my mom with my baby broth-

er. I would like a blanket because I'm so cold at night. I would like a LOL doll because I have been so good. I would like a baby doll because I have been helping my mom.  
Your friend,  
Gwen

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I helped decorate the tree. I opened the door for people. Please can I have a doll because I really want one please. Can I have a phone because all my friends have one. Can I have a blanket because I keep losing them!  
Love,  
Anya

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I was good because I helped my mom decorate and I also helped my dad. Can I have a TV so I can put it in my bedroom? Can I have a phone so I can play on it? Can I have a playset so I have something to do?  
Sincerely,  
Devon

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year? I helped my mom clean the house? May I have 3 puppies? May I have a video game? May I have a baby sister?  
Love,  
Kaylynn

Dear Santa,  
I have been good this year. I helped decorate the tree. I would like a remote controlled robot because my mom won't buy me one. I would like a journal. I would like a backpack too.  
From,  
Calvin

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Santa and Mrs. Claus visited Weiser Classic Candy on Small Business Saturday and listened to children's Christmas wishes. Anya Boles is telling Santa her wishes for an American Girl doll. She is in Mrs. Hunt's second grade class. The second grade students at Pioneer Elementary School wrote letters to Santa as a class project. Also pictured is Miss United States Agriculture Idaho Teen Kaylah Brown. Photo by Sarah Imada



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Dear Santa,

Are you having a good day? Hey! I saw one of your elves at my uncle's work place. I would like \$1,000. Do you want to know why? I want the money because my mom is going to buy a new house. How are your elves doing? I will leave you some milk and cookies.

Love,  
 Hunter

Dear Santa,

Can I please get a pretty bed? And how is your day? I hope it's good. And can I please have a pretty dress? And new shoes? And lots of clothes. And a deer. I hope your family is good. And how do you go to people houses in one day?

Your friend,  
 Ariel

Dear Santa,

It has been a long time since Christmas. How is Miss C.? May I please have an electric scooter for Christmas? Santa can I have snow boots for Christmas? Socks and 30 Oreos please. And pjs and a clock and a kitten and a Google computer and a pool and you look nice! Have a safe trip Santa Claus and Miss Claus.

Your friend,  
 Bailey

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas! I can't believe it's Christmas. How has it been in the North Pole? What do you want for Christmas? I would like a vanity. The one I want is called Am-sdeal vanity set. How do

you go to all the houses in the whole world? Please write back in the letter I gave you. I love you so much! Thank you!  
 Love,  
 Lucy

Dear Santa,

How do you deliver presents in one night? Are your reindeer ready to leave the North Pole? And how is your sled doing? And can you please bring me a tablet for Christmas?

Your friend,  
 Emilio

Dear Santa,

I like you Santa. You are cool. What do you feed your reindeer? Do you have 5,000 elves? I would like a Nintendo Switch because they are fun I also want a car in the front that has a doll. I want Barbies and LOL OMG dolls. That's all I want I guess.

Merry Christmas!  
 Brinley

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas. I hope you have a great Christmas. I hope your sleigh is ready. And how is your family doing? I want a makeup set with high heels with a long dress. I hope you have a great year. Merry Christmas.

Love,  
 Brinlee

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas Santa! Santa, how are your reindeer doing? Santa, can I please get some cute and fluffy hamsters? And some beautiful earrings that dangle? And

some money and a Nintendo Switch and two bunnies! Thank you.

Love,  
 Hayley

Dear Santa,

What I want for Christmas is a makeup set and a phone to play games. Bye, Santa. Oh, and I wonder how do you get to every house on time?

Your friend,  
 Zeva

Dear Santa,

How are you? Are the reindeer ready for Christmas? How are the elves? Are you good? I would like a new bike please my old bike is rusty. Can I have an American Girl doll with a kitchen set and laundry set? Merry Christmas Santa.

Your friend,  
 Elizabeth

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas Santa! Is the sleigh ready? I really want a Barbie car and a Barbie house. Is your wife ready for you to leave? Happy Christmas Santa.

Love  
 Addie

Dear Santa,

Santa I hope you have a good Christmas. I would like to have a computer for Christmas this year. I would really like to see you some day. Have a safe trip Santa.

Love,  
 Karson

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas! I hope your family is ok. Christmas is the best time of year. I want a

Switch. I also want an Xbox with Minecraft and I want a bunch of pizza.

I wish I could see your reindeer.  
 Your friend,  
 Joseph

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas Santa. How is your family doing? You are the best person in the world! I love you Santa! I would like soft socks and a big ball.

Love,  
 Melanie

Dear Santa,

I want fuzzy clothes and an iPhone 12 and an Xbox 3. And I want Fox dirt bike gear, a trampoline, a bouncy one, and an awesome RC car and can I have a gold necklace, an awesome bike and I hope you have a good Christmas.

Love your friend,  
 Kaycen

Dear Santa,

Merry Christmas! Are you ready for Christmas? Santa, I would like some new pajamas. And I would like a new cat and some money. Merry Christmas, Santa! How are your reindeer?

Sincerely,  
 Callie

Dear Santa,

Hi! How are the elves? Are they naughty or nice? Santa, can I have a toy truck with a trailer and with a lawn mower? Ever since I saw it at D and B I wanted it. I also want a bunny. Thank you for remembering me.

Your friend,  
 Trey



Rod Panike of Select Properties and Joe Malay have a soft spot in their hearts for Annex School as they were once students there. Panike and his staff have contributed money from each real estate transaction to the Ho-Ho Express to give a Christmas gift to each student at Annex Charter School. This year due to COVID-19 the annual trip to Bi-Mart will not take place and instead Santa's helper, Malay, will present each student at Annex School with a gift card. Photo by Sarah Imada

# Golf tournament, auction and realtors help make Christmas special for children

by Sarah Imada

Steve's Hometown Dealerships has hosted an annual golf tournament and charity auction for the past 31 years. The event is usually held over two days.

The Taste of the Treasure Valley and auction is held on Saturday evening at the Red Barn at Malheur County Fairgrounds and features food and beverages donated by area restaurants and distributors. Santa's helper Joe Malay serves as auctioneer and keeps attendees entertained with his quick wit and humor.

Over the past 31 years, the auction and golf tournament has raised over \$700,000 and all funds raised are dedicated to local communities. Funds raised benefit Help Them to Hope, Joe Malay's Ho-Ho Express, the Next Chapter Food Pantry, local families in need, local food basket programs and the Ontario Food Bank.

The tournament is held on Sunday at Scotch Pines Golf Course in Payette, however in 2020 the tournament and auction were combined as a one-day hybrid event to accommodate safety measures during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The weather was warm and mild the days leading up to the event however a storm front appeared and brought with it rain and lower temperatures. Golfers played through the cold and wet afternoon and due to the weather, the play was cut short.

Under the cover of the Scotch Pines patio, golfers, local restaurant owners and supporters gathered to enjoy the food prepared by local restaurants and bid on the many items donated to help local charities.

Thirty-two teams consisting of 128 golfers signed up to play in the golf tourney.

Winners of this year's tournament are as follows:

C.T. Derm, first gross co-ed. Team members consisted of Joie Torvend, Brian Connelly, Britany Frens and Chad Vaughn.

KIVI Channel 6, first gross open. Team members consisted of Bryce Glarborg, Berto Reyes, Derrick Reyes and Calvin Loos.

Fox 9, first net co-ed. Team members consisted of Laurie



For every new Toyota vehicle sold at Steve's Hometown Toyota in Ontario, money is put into an advertising fund to be donated to community outreach events and local charities. Toyota's advertising agency, Saatchi and Saatchi presented Help Them to Hope a \$30,000 check from last year and this year's advertising funds. Above Steve Dominguez, vice president of Help Them to Hope and Rich Contreras, president, hold up the check. Below, Dominguez presents Santa's helper Joe Malay with a check for \$10,000 for Ho-Ho Express. Photo by Sheri Smit and Mary Phipps

Asin, Scott Asin, Wes Obenauer and Pamela Obenauer.

Hometown Motors, first net open. Team members consisted of Steve Dominguez, Taylor Dominguez, Nick Dominguez and Jerry Ward.

Cintas, second net co-ed. Team members consisted of Tyer Campitella, Collin Mills, Mike Greenwood and Vince Cortez.

Lender Data, second gross open. Team members consisted of Tom Nelson, Brian Buchanan, Nate Hoiosen, Todd Hummers.

Cumulus Radio, second net open. Team members consisted of John Metzger, Mike Metzger, Tim Singer and Matthew Lee.

Allied Business Solutions, third net open. Team members consisted of Andy Shimojima, David Sullivan, Dan Tactcz, Martin Coy.

Malay, the area's ambassador to golfing, has helped Steve Dominguez and his Hometown Dealerships organize the event since its conception. Malay brings the chance for golfers to win prizes, adding an extra competitiveness to the tournament.

Winners of the contests were as follows:



Closest to the pin on hole number 8, Jack Daily; longest putt for a veteran on hole number 5, Bill Fackler; longest putt on hole number 9, Jimmy Wilson; closest to the pin on hole number 15, Russ Smith; closest to the pin for a man age 60 and over on hole number 11, Todd Hummer; closest to the pin for a woman on hole number 4, Deb Nakamura; long-

est putt for a grandparent on hole number 2, Wes Obenauer; closest to the pin for a man on hole number 4, Joe Egana.

This year's event raised over \$40,000 through golf team sponsorships, hole sponsors and cash donations that Hometown Dealerships does business with.

"On behalf of the Hometown Dealerships 31st annual Commu-

nity Benefit, I would like to thank the community for their support. We cannot do this without you," said Dominguez.

In addition to the funds raised at the benefit the charity fund was infused with \$30,000 from Toyota's advertising agency, Saatchi and Saatchi.

"For every new Toyota we allocated an advertising fee that is charged and put in a fund for advertising. We are allowed to hold community outreach events and have local charities receive these funds. This year and last year's events, Toyota donated a total of \$30,000 out of our advertising funds to Help Them to Hope," said Dominguez.

Help Them to Hope serves the communities of Ontario, Nyssa and Vale in Oregon and Weiser, Payette and Fruitland in Idaho. Funds donated from Toyota will help purchase toys and bicycles for the children of the 600 families Help Them to Hope serves.

Dominguez presented a check for \$10,000 to Malay dedicated to Malay's annual Ho-Ho Express. Santa Joe invites approximately 400 children from the Weiser School District and offers \$50 to purchase gifts for themselves or family members at Walmart in Ontario. During a usual year, children ride to Ontario in school buses with a police escort and with the help of Santa's elves, go Christmas shopping. This year the event will be held in a safer manner. Children chosen will compile a wish list and Weiser High School students and volunteers from the community will shop from the list.

Gifts will be distributed on Dec. 19 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Weiser High School.

During a usual year, Santa Joe also brings Annex Charter School students shopping at the Weiser Bi-Mart. Owner and broker of Select Properties Rod Panike attended Annex school and through the efforts of his realtors who donate money from every house sold are able to take 80 children shopping. This year, however, Annex students will be given gift cards in lieu of the shopping adventure due to the COVID-19 pandemic.



The annual Steve's Hometown Dealerships charity auction and golf tournament was held as a hybrid one day event in October. Thirty-two teams golfed at Scotch Pines in Payette. Larry Nakamura hits a pitch shot towards the hole while teammates Marv Dashiell, Monte Hurd and Deb Nakamura look on. Photo by Sarah Imada



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This year's Christmas programs at Pioneer Elementary School will be very different due to the pandemic. Music teacher Tori Thomas will be creating a virtual program for everyone to watch online. With the use of green screens Thomas will edit the individual students to make it appear as if they are singing in a group. Above second grader Angela Morales Rodriguez is pointing at marshmallows in the sky. Photo by Mary Phipps

## Pioneer School will present a creative and fun virtual Christmas program

by Nicole Miller

One of the many annual Weiser Christmas traditions has been the Weiser schools' Christmas programs. While we already know that with the COVID-19 restrictions, the traditional programs would not be possible, the music teachers have been working on a special solution to the problem by creating a virtual program for parents to watch online.

Pioneer Elementary School music teacher Tori Thomas is already behind the scenes working with technology and creativity. By using film and green screens, the music program will appear as if all students are singing together. Although each recording is on an individual or small group basis to ensure social distancing and wearing their masks during the process, each grade level's presentation will show the entire grade at one time.

The virtual process will take time however and Thomas said her intention is to have the program available for families to view by Dec. 22.

Thomas was able to attain new abilities with video editing and virtual teaching through quarantine last spring. She said she decided that she would do everything she could to create a program as special as possible for her students and their families.

"We are able to keep them socially distance by recording each child one at a time and putting them into the videos individually so the parents can see their smiling faces. For an added level of fun, we are putting the children in fun locations. We are doing and trying our upmost to make sure every child feels special and excited for this holiday season," Thomas said.

Children who attend via an exclusive online basis will also be included. All students are unable to sing at once because of the lag during streaming. Otherwise, students will need to be recorded individually and later overlay the appropriate audio tracks together in a virtual choir style. This option however is un-

available due to time constraints. Rather, the music program will ask students to recite a Christmas poem at home to add to the experience.

"I am so excited that this will be bringing our Pioneer family back together again in some small way. Our virtual students and our classroom students," Thomas said.

Kindergarten classes will begin the program with children's Christmas song "I'm a Little Star."

First graders will then wish a Merry Christmas from the bottom of their hearts by performing "Feliz Navidad," the modern classic originally recorded by Jose Feliciano.

Second grade students will be performing the 1949 Christmas song "Marshmallow World." The song compares a snowfall to marshmallows covering the ground and also describes the snowfall as whipped cream and the sun as a red pumpkin head.

Third grade students will be performing "Christmas is a Feeling" by Natalie Sleeth, a common choir Christmas song about all elements that create a wonderful and magical time of year.

The kindergarten and first grade online students will be reciting the poem "Five Little Candles" and the second and third grade online students will be reciting "T was the Night Before Christmas."

The program will end with the entire school's performance of "We Wish You A Merry Christmas."

Thomas said this new online production has taken an immense amount of work and will continue to take work behind the scenes to present the special production to parents.

The music teachers are excited to be capable of keeping a part of the Christmas tradition of the programs for families to enjoy. A positive aspect the special program includes is videos made will be posted on the Pioneer School's website for parents, grandparents, and other family members to enjoy the programs no matter the location.