

Pennies for Pasta

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The entire school raised money for Leukemia in partnership with the Olive Garden and the Leukemia Society. Each homeroom had a representative that collected and counted. The community was encouraged to donate also, and students were asked to try to earn money for the collection in some manner. The collection took place over two weeks. Students raised over \$7,000.00.

Meet a recognized community need: The Hereford School Community learned about the work of the Leukemia Society and how they could help in many activities.

Achieve curricular objectives: Each content leader contributed to a phase of this activity and linked it to their curriculum.

Reflect through the service-learning experience: Students talked during counting sessions about their experiences and daily announcements/reflections on the success of the project included the whole school.

Develop student responsibility: Each homeroom selected a representative who collected the money. Establish community partnerships: The project was advertised by the Olive Garden and the Leukemia Society to the schools.

Plan ahead for service-learning: The project was planned jointly with homeroom teachers and the student council.

Equip students with knowledge and skills needed for service: Student Council members trained the homeroom representatives.