

**DURHAM-MIDDLEFIELD COMMUNITY ROUND-UP
JOHN LYMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

On Saturday, December 5, 2009, from 9:00-12:00 teams made up of students, teachers, parents, and community members will be roving the town in a scavenger like fashion. Students will compete in teams of four following assigned routes. The purpose is to collect non-perishable items, canned goods, and gift cards that will be distributed to the needy. Each item collected will be assigned a point value. The top teams at each grade level will be awarded prizes. Each student participating will receive a raffle ticket affording him or her a chance to win a \$50.00 gift certificate to the Westfield Shopping Mall. Breakfast will be served at 8:30.

In order to compete and volunteer, students must pre-arrange themselves in a team with a team driver. Students must have the permission slips for their entire team completed to be eligible. The number of teams is limited, so please get your permission slips and team lineup sent in right away.

If you can't make a team you may also volunteer and remain at the high school and can assist in scoring, counting and packing. A sizable number of volunteers are needed to make this day a success. All participants and volunteers are welcome. This cross-age project, sponsored by the Local Wellness Council, will provide an opportunity for students and adults to work together and experience the true spirit of the holiday season.

Monetary donations will be greatly accepted to defray the cost of perishable food items.

Please make a group of three or four students with one parent driver and send your information back to John Lyman as soon as possible if you would like to compete and help out. Remember space is limited and the teams fill up fast. Attached to this information letter is all the paperwork you need to sign up.

For Further information you can contact Beth Galligan, Chairperson, at the Coginchaug High School guidance department at 349-7211.

Your representative at John Lyman School is Alex Edwards. You may contact him at 349-7240 if you have any questions.

Please send your team information back to Alex Edwards at John Lyman School. Donations of any kind can be sent to Beth Galligan at the High School.

Good Luck.