

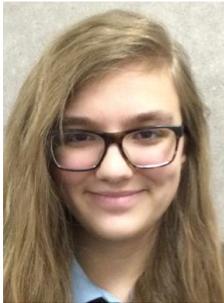
IN THE MIDDLE:

Important to Give Back During the Holidays

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It's coming up on the holidays, a lot of people's favorite time of year. It's great, letting your family and friends know that you care about them, especially since maybe you don't actively show them every day. There are so many ways that you could go just that extra little bit to show other people that you care about them, too.



Some people think of the holidays as times for presents and time with your family, but not everybody is able to have that. Maybe they aren't able to spend all the money that they want to get their families presents, some people might not even have the money to feed their families normally, not to mention around the holidays. Also, some might not even have a family to spend that time with. Some people don't look forward to the holidays, despite how much kids and even adults do.

It's definitely always important to give back, but I think it's even more crucial around this time of year. You need to show the support to some people that they might not have it; show them that you care about them. Remember to show people that they have support and appreciation from you.

There are so many different ways that you can do that. Even just at Barker Middle School, we're doing different fundraisers and gift drives. The National Junior Honor Society sold pies and used the money raised to buy gifts for the Salvation Army.

Book drives, canned good drives, and fund raisers are just a few of the things that MCAS schools have done to give back, just this year. How are you going to give back this holiday season?

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