



THE
RHOADES
FOUNDATION



THE RHOADES SCHOOL SERVICE LEARNING 2024-2025

ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS AND THE IMPACT OF FOOD WASTE

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The Rhoades School

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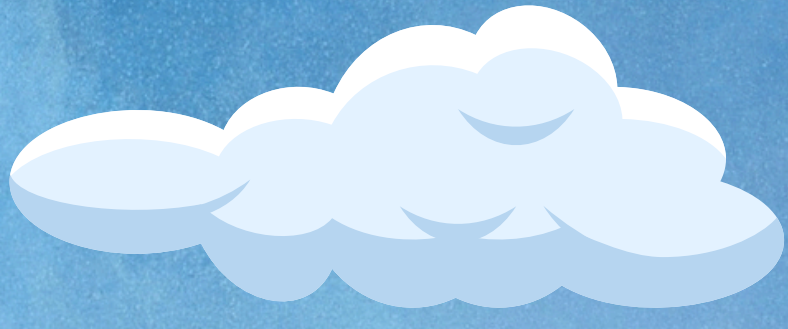


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All School Opportunities at Rhoades

November 2024:



Veterans Day Collections

Dates: October 28th - November 8th



Clothing Drive in support of the *Veterans Village of San Diego*

- Collecting new and gently used warm clothing (jackets, sweaters) to donate to our Veterans.
- Collection boxes will be located at all 3 campuses.

Letters of gratitude in support of *Operation Gratitude*

- Students from all campuses are invited to write letters of gratitude for Veterans and Active Duty Service Members.
- Letters will be placed in care packages and distributed to Service Members.
- Coloring pages with writing prompts will be provided to younger students.
- Please take note of the important letter writing guidelines (a flyer will be distributed to teachers and staff for reference).



December 2024:

Toy Drive

Dates: December 2nd - December 13th



Toy Donation Drive in support of Toys for Tots

- Collecting new, unwrapped toys for children in need this holiday season.
- Collection boxes will be located at all 3 campuses.



Rhoades Lower School Campus Donation Collections

Students are grouped by Buddy Grade Levels



February 2025 - Grades K, 3rd

Collecting used and new kitchen items

*In support of the Kitchens for Good
Apprentice Program.*

March 2024 - Grades 2nd, 4th

Collecting dog and cat food

*In support of the AniMeals Program
at the Helen Woodward Center.*

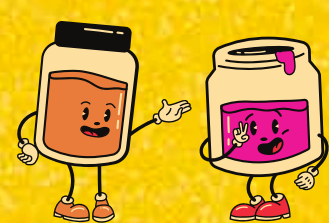


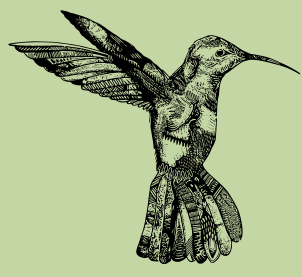
April 2025 - Grades TK, 1st, 5th

Peanut Butter and Jelly Drive/ Challenge

In support of the

North County Food Bank





Rhoades Garden Project



Lower School Garden Led By:

Rhoades Parent, Melissa Thompson;
3rd Grade Teachers, Ms. Bose & Mrs. Brinkley;
and 3rd Grade Students.

Middle School Garden Led By:

Rhoades Middle School Teacher: Mr. Major
and
Middle School Students

A unique, ongoing project in support of our service learning theme and goals:

Theme:

The Environment

Goals:

- Engaging students as active, hands-on learners
- Encouraging students to take ownership of their learning experience
- Offering students the opportunity to deepen their understanding by teaching what they learn to peers (students in other grade levels, buddies).



A Special Thank You To Our Generous Donors:

**Bryan and Pam McCabe &
Melissa and Brendan Thompson**

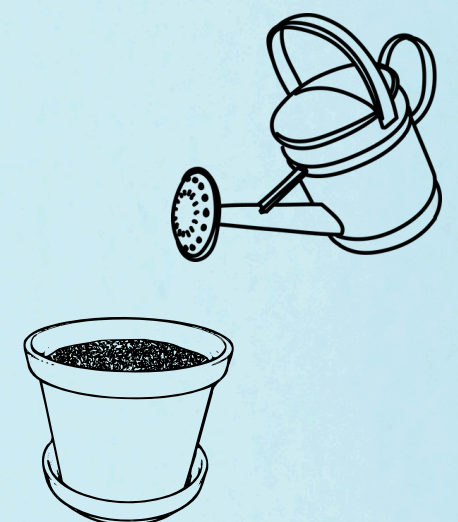
for their kind Plant Donations, Time, and Labor

Granettos Farm and Garden Supply

for their kind Soil Donation

Intentions & Learning Objectives:

- o Students will expand their knowledge & understanding of the environment and related issues.
- o Build knowledge around garden design & the impact on community & environment
- o Enhance awareness of the role various plants play in our lives:
 - The importance of pollinators
 - Ways in which we use plants for medicine, cooking, etc.
- o Learning about native plants:
 - The local climate
 - Plants that grow here locally in the wild
- o Understanding what it is to be water-wise and why that is vital
- o Sensory: how plants can be experienced by all our senses
- o Enhancing present moment awareness, opportunities for mindfulness practice



Rhoades Middle School

Campus Events and Donation Collections

October 2024 Events



Breast Cancer Awareness: Oct. 30, 2024

Guest Speaker: *Dr. Singh, Rhoades Parent & Oncologist*

Presenting an educational talk for Middle School students about her profession and cancer prevention.

Casa de Amistad

Students will volunteer at Casa de Amistad, a nonprofit dedicated to fostering the education and character development of underserved children and teens from neighborhoods in North County San Diego.



December 2024 Events

Girl Rising Bazaar: April 25, 2025

A community event at the Rhoades Middle School, organized by Girl Rising to raise awareness about girls' education around the world.



Open Mic Night: December 6, 2024 (From 5 PM - 7 PM)

A Girl Rising sponsored event in the Rhoades Middle School Amphitheater.

A talent show for students grades 4-8.

Grades K-3 can participate in a group number.

Proceeds will be used to support girls' education around the world.

March 2025 Collection Drive

Middle School Students will be hosting a hands-on collections drive event

In Support of the Helen Woodward Center

Students will collect recycled t-shirts and work together to make dog toys for the Helen Woodward Animal Shelter,

Rhoades Pre-School Campus Donation Collections

**LEARNING
EVERYDAY**

**March 2025
Blanket Drive**

In support of the Community Resource Center (CRC)
Community Resource Center is widely recognized as the primary provider of social services and domestic violence programs in coastal North County San Diego, serving more than 7,200 people each year.





Additional Hands-On Service Learning Opportunities at Rhoades



Ronald McDonald House

Middle School students (ages 13+) will have the opportunity to host a craft or activity for families staying at the Ronald McDonald House and children being treated at Rady Children's Hospital.



San Elijo Lagoon Project

Students will have the opportunity to learn about invasive species and how to help support the environment.



Feeding San Diego Volunteer Opportunity

On selected Saturdays students (ages 6+) and their families can sign up to volunteer their time at the Feeding San Diego Food Bank.