Dear Parent or Guardian,

Your child has the opportunity to participate in the Blessings in a Backpack program at Ocean Palms. Blessings in a Backpack is a program made available through generous donors which is designed to supplement student nutrient needs on the weekend.

Children participating in the program will receive a bag consisting of six or more nutritious snacks such as cereal, cheese/meat sticks, crackers, juice, and other food items every Friday. The bag will be given to your child in a discreet and caring manner through the School Counselor’s office. This program will continue through the remainder of the school year at no cost to you. In addition, your family will be placed on a list for support during the holiday season, family nights, and book fairs.

If you would like for your child to participate in the program, please complete the bottom portion of this letter and return it to school with your child, or email it to Michael Proietto, School Counselor, by Friday, August 25th.  If later, a need arises for your family, please complete the form and contact Michael Proietto; your child will be added to our list.

If you have any questions about the program, please contact Michael Proietto at Michael.proietto@stjohns.k12.fl.us or 904.547.4153.

Sincerely,

Michael Proietto

School Counselor

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**Blessings in a Backpack forms are due on or before August 25. Please submit to the front office or email it to** **Michael.proietto@stjohns.k12.fl.us**

* I want my child to participate in the Blessings in a Backpack weekend food program.

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 Child’s Name (please print) Child’s Teacher (please print)

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 Parent Name (please print) Parent Signature