

The Tri-County Family Quilt

Dear Families,

First of all, we want to thank you so much for agreeing to participate in this project and for sticking with us and helping us navigate this pandemic. Right now, it is harder than ever to make sure that your family is getting their social-emotional needs met. As a means to help address some of the concerns you all brought up, like the lack of connection your children may have lost because of online learning, restricted school relationships, and insufficient socialization between children, we have asked you to participate in our Tri-County Family Quilt. We hope that this quilt will help bring connections between families and our environment, exhibit generational knowledge, and express some of the emotions we have all felt these past years through art and story-telling.

Inside this package, you will find many different materials; quilt squares, markers, art supplies, glue, plastic protection folders for your squares, some toys, and a \$1 entry fee to the Children's Museum for your family (up to 6 people). Our goal for this quilt is for you and your children to spend time together and really think about what makes your family your family. These unique things are abundant and can be anything from your language, your culture, your favorite family meals, your knowledge passed down to you from family members, your religion, etc. We really want you to use this time working on the quilt to express the love you have for each other and to learn and create together. Once the square is finished, if you would like, please write a little bit about why you decorated the square that way.

Once you and your family have completed the squares, we ask you to either drive it to the Children's Museum (using the pass and parking pass inside) OR email one of us when you are ready to have it picked up. Our goal for your families is to have the square returned before Christmas Break so that we can start to assemble the squares over break(By December 20th). Once the quilt is assembled, we will host a virtual reveal for all the families to attend. The quilt will remain at the Children's Museum as a living exhibit for families like you to come and add on. In completion, we believe the quilt will represent the harmony of the cultures around us, generational knowledge, and togetherness. As we are getting squares in, we will be uploading them to instagram to create a virtual quilt so anybody can view it. With each square, we will post a caption with your explanations of the square. You can follow this page on instagram @tricountyfamilyquilt

Thank you again,

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