

To: 8th Grade Expressive Arts Parents
From: Jenell Novello
Re: Knitting Info/Material Request for Knitting Unit
[Sacramento Blankets for Sacramento Kids](#)



Dear Parents,

In response to the Fires in Southern California, 8th grade students will be starting the Knitting Unit in January.

Students will learn the basic knit/purl stitch using handmade knitting needles that they make in Expressions. Once they have mastered knitting they will knit blankets for the non profit organization [Sacramento Blankets for Sacramento Kids](#). The blankets that they knit will be donated to the organization and will be sent to families who have fallen victim to the fires.

The knitting will require basic **acrylic** yarn and I highly recommend each student to contribute **at least one, but preferably two** skeins of acrylic yarn suitable for size 10 knitting needles. For this project I recommend **soft pastel colors** from the brands [Loops & Thread Charisma \(2- 3.5 oz acrylic yarn \(\\$4.50\)\)](#) or [Red Heart Super Saver \(1-7-oz acrylic yarn \(\\$4.00\)\)](#). Yarn can be purchased at Walmart, Michael's, or JoAnn's Fabric. Yarn will be provided if it cannot be contributed.

The following recommended materials are due on the dates below:

Item	Due date	Where to Purchase
Minimum 7 ounces of acrylic (not wool) yarn.(see recommended yarn above) Pastel Colors Please.	1/17	Walmart, Michael's, or JoAnn's Fabric

Volunteers Needed! Lastly, Do you know how to knit? It always helps to have extra hands in the classroom when we teach knitting. If you have knitting skills and are willing to volunteer your time we would love to have you! Please email me at jnovello@natomascharter.org

Thank you for your support!

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