



SUMMER 2025

RAVEN PACKS NEWS

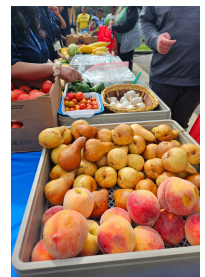
*Making an ImPACKt by addressing food-insecurity in the
Ravenna School District and community*

RAVEN SUMMER MARKETS - LET'S GROW TOGETHER!

This summer, Raven Packs is again partnering with UH Portage to bring fresh produce to Ravenna's food-insecure families. Each week between July 10th and August 28th, a pop-up farmer's market will serve a different community of Ravenna residents with free produce. July's market events provided fresh produce to 285 individuals, with over half of those served being children!

Are you an amateur gardener or local grower? As garden production increases over the coming weeks and you find yourself with extra produce to share, make a positive impact for food-insecure families all around Ravenna by donating to Raven Packs. Produce drop-off at Raven Packs (5581 S. Prospect, Ravenna) continues every Thursday morning in August, 10:30-11:30AM, and donations received will go straight to that day's scheduled market.

Thank you to our amazing community partners for this year's Raven Summer Market program - University Hospitals Portage, Kent State Department of Public Health, Portage Metropolitan Housing Authority, Community Action Council, and Family & Community Services.



www.ravenpacks.com



FUNDRAISING FOR RAVEN PACKS

Be on the lookout for opportunities to support Raven Packs through upcoming community fundraisers. Watch for more info in your inbox and on social media for these fall events:

- Purse BINGO event hosted by Ravenna alum Bobbi Rude - 9/15 (tent.)
- Monster Dash 5k hosted by University Hospitals, Portage location - 10/18
- Raven Packs annual pancake breakfast fundraising event - 11/1

LET'S PACK!

The volunteer sign-up for our 2025/26 packing events is OPEN! Let us know that you'll be joining us through our SignUpGenius link here.



TRANSPORTATION TEAMS NEEDED

As we kick off the new school year, transportation vehicles and teams are needed to help deliver packed Raven Packs from the packing site to each of the Ravenna school buildings we serve.

What we need:

- Vehicles: for transporting our large rolling bins of food bags
- Muscles: for helping to lift bins in/out of the vehicle and roll into buildings
- Availability: delivery team routes start around 9:45/10:00AM on our weekday packing days and generally wrap up within 30 minutes to an hour
- Passion: for serving food insecure Ravenna kids and making an imPACKt in our community!

Interested?
Let us know
here!



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- 8/13 - RSD Back to School BASH at RHS
- 8/20 - Snack Pack Assembly (evening event, 6pm)
- 8/28 - Packing Day, 9am
- 9/11 - Packing Day, 9am
- 9/25 - Packing Day, 9am
- 10/8 - Packing Day, 9am
- 10/23 - Packing Day, 9am
- 11/1 - Pancake Breakfast
- 11/6 - Packing Day, 9am
- 11/25 - Packing Day, 9am
- 12/3 - Gingerbread Kit Assembly (evening event, 6pm)
- 12/4 - Packing Day, 9am
- 12/18 - Packing Day, 9am

Remember to stop by **Sunshine Cupcakes** (221 S. Prospect St.) for a Raven Packs 4-pack, and don't forget to do the Raven Round Up while there to support Raven Packs operations!



Support Raven Packs through Venmo: @Raven-Packs



Bring soft plastics with you to any packing event or coordinate dropoff at k5ravenpacks@gmail.com