

What is Cross County Partner School Program?

Cross County Partner School Program is a San Ramon Valley Council of PTAs' coordinated program that pairs schools in the San Ramon Valley Unified School District (SRVUSD) with nearby schools in order to enhance the educational opportunities for all children. Currently our school is matched with an elementary school in Concord, *Cambridge Elementary School*.

The program was started in 1994 by a parent at Greenbrook and a teacher in Richmond, to meet some of West County's desperate needs where a majority of the families had incomes under the federal poverty level. Fourteen years later the Cross County Program is still thriving.

Our school typically helps its partner school by holding school supply, book, clothing and food drives, and asks for donations of other necessities that the children at our partner school have no or very little access to.

This program has made a difference. It has helped to teach children to read, it has fed and clothed whole families and communities, and it has introduced many of our own children to severe poverty.

With the generosity of our Hidden Hills families, we delivered abundant gifts to the children at our partner school, Cambridge Elementary school in Concord. Because of your donations, these kids were given books, warm coats and snacks that they may not have received otherwise.

A huge thank you to all the families that participated in our drives for the last few years!

For more information contact Dima Anqud (dangud@yahoo.com) or Shelley ferrario (nino@broadcom.com).