



## **Level 1 Confirmation Service Project**

Every year, the Level 1 students sponsor some of our stocking stuffers and help stuff 1000 stockings. The stockings are sent down to the Christian Appalachian Project and are distributed to needy families, generally with the assistance of the local churches and local town officials.

We ask each student to hand write 10 letters on the attached stationery. Every stocking will include one of these letters.

*Often this is the only gift the children receive!*

The youth ministry team who has traveled and personally delivered the stockings in the past has the following feedback regarding the letters:

- DO NOT USE YOUR LAST NAME OR INCLUDE ANY CONTACT INFORMATION
- The children, who receive the stockings, LOVE these letters.
- These children in Appalachia get very excited about a new toothbrush & toothpaste, a new pencil and a “full size” candy bar, all things we take for granted.

## What should I write about?

- *Write about your family!*
- *Many of the families have dogs and other animals so if you have a pet please talk about it!*
- *The children in Kentucky do not have & cannot afford video games, so please do not talk about your video games or your cell phones/computers.*
- *Write about your favorite TV show, book, school & your favorite subjects*
- *Few children play sports so please DO NOT talk about your sports*
- *Write about your favorite Bible story or include a favorite scripture passage!*
- *Do you have a favorite Saint, maybe the Saint you studied in 4<sup>th</sup> grade? Tell them about this Saint and why they are special to you.*

- Make the letters look **festive**. Write with nice markers or draw a little picture. You can print out the stationary we have sent to you and use that!
- Handwrite & decorate the letters, please do not use the computer! **PLEASE DO NOT FOLD YOUR LETTERS!!**
- DO NOT write one letter and photocopy it nine times!
- If you write all 10 letters and turn them in on time, you will receive 30 minutes of Parish Service.
- **Please ask your parents to read your letters for you before you turn them in.**

**Project 1,000 letters** are due by **Monday, October 16**. They can be given to your catechist, dropped in the Project 1,000 box in the outdoor bin at the door of the parish office entrance at 40 Maple St.

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