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LINDALE HIGH SCHOOL AND CHICK-FIL-A JOIN TOGETHER TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY

Lindale High School and Chick-fil-A are joining together for their annual, school-wide volunteer day. On March 29, LHS Chick-fil-A Leadership Academy students will conduct a service project throughout the community of Lindale. Several LHS clubs, organizations, and groups will be participating to help give back to the Lindale community in a variety of ways.

"It all began when Chick-fil-A-Lindale Operator, Mr. Joshua Johnson reached out, offering to sponsor Lindale High School students through the Chick-fil-A Leadership Academy," said LHS Assistant Principal, Melisa Dukes. "The academy takes the students along a seven month journey to help develop student leaders. Our students have been applying their skills throughout the year."

Some jobs include collecting trash, painting and landscaping at the Journey Center and Lillie Russell Memorial Library, delivering food and donation items to the Dr. David Powell Food Pantry and the We Care Thrift Store, and delivering handmade gifts and flowers from LHS art students to local nursing homes. Students and volunteers will check-in at the Journey Center at 8:30 a.m. for the kick-off this Friday. All volunteer projects are expected to be completed by 11:00 and volunteers will meet back at the Journey Center for lunch provided by Chick-fil-A.

"This opportunity has been life changing for many of our students, and could not be done without the support of Mr. Johnson and the LHS sponsor, Jennifer King," said Dukes. "We are excited for our LHS students to give back to our Lindale community and to show our appreciation."

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