COLLECT SPARE CHANGE AND CHANGE LIVES



Dear Parent/Guardian.

Your child has the power to make a positive impact on the lives of blood cancer patients!

Their school will be joining others across New Jersey in a program that will be instrumental in raising funds for lifesaving cancer research.

They'll be taking part in The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's (LLS) Pennies for Patients and Pasta for Pennies presented by Olive Garden. During a three-week period, students collect spare change to support LLS's mission: To cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma, and to improve the quality of life of patients and their families.

What your child will learn about service, leadership and philanthropy will be immeasurable. And, the impact they'll have on patients' lives will be limitless. Many LLS-funded advances are already helping not only blood cancer patients, but people with other conditions, including solid tumors and autoimmune diseases. In fact, LLS has invested more than \$875 million in research to advance therapies and save lives. That includes more than \$4M in 2012 alone from New Jersey.

Your child should have received his or her own box for collecting spare change. Judging by past programs, they'll be proud to fill the box, with change to spare. Plus their school will have their own online fundraising page that can be shared with friends and family.

Spare change could be hiding anywhere. Under the couch cushions. In the pockets of pants and jackets hanging in the closets. Your child has the power to convert that spare change into funding for treatments and cures that can save lives...not someday, but today.

Thank you and your child in advance for helping patients with blood cancers live longer, better lives.

Sincerely.

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P.S. You can make a personal donation in cash or online at http://nj.sy.llsevent.org. You can also donate by check, made payable to The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

Jake's story: When Jake broke his leg with no obvious cause and refused to walk even after the bone healed, a diligent pediatrician realized something more was wrong. At only 22 months old, Jake was diagnosed with leukemia. Three and a half years of treatment later, Jake's cancer was in remission. Now an energetic, happy survivor, Jake plays video games, loves ninjas and makes friends easily.



Honored Hero Jake, leukemia survivor

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