

Sagemont School, a Private School in Broward, Fulfills Wishes of Impoverished Kids and Their Families

Sagemont National Junior Honor Society members collect holiday gifts for Kids in need in conjunction with the ChildNet Agency serving Broward County

December 15, 2009 (FPRC) -- Weston, FL. – The Sagemont School has always made community service an important part of their curriculum. Sagemont's National Junior Honor Society is helping to make the holidays much brighter for 350 kids. Child Net is Broward's Community Based Care lead agency selected by the state to manage the local system of services and supports for Broward's abused, abandoned and neglected children and their caregivers. Due to the state of the economy, ChildNet lost a lot of sponsors this year. When they called to see if Sagemont could help with the kids' holiday wish list, the Junior Honor Society enthusiastically agreed to take on the project. Eighth grader and Secretary of NJHS, Nivita Sharma said, "I am happy to participate because it is wonderful to be able to make a child happy who lives in our own community."

Although NJHS is sponsoring this project, the entire middle and high school is participating. Each student and staff member was given a wish list for a child. It is a very large undertaking because there are 350 lists with three gifts on each list. Each gift must be labeled and returned with all 350 lists.

Dare White is a math teacher at The Sagemont Upper School and is the sponsor of NJHS. "I really think that it is important to help children and needy adults in our own backyard. We often look internationally and don't realize there are so many needs in Broward and Dade County. Living in a community like Weston our children are often shielded from some of the harsh realities of life. I wanted them to get a sense of how many children have to live." Tenth grader Angela Tuffy said "it is nice to be involved because we have so much and this might be the only gift the child receives for the holiday season."

The Sagemont School offers a college prep curriculum and operates two campuses in Weston, FL. In Pre-K through Grade 5, The Sagemont School provides core concepts in a creative environment combined with weekly specials that include science, art, music, Spanish for non-native & native speakers, swimming, PE and media and technology. From middle school through graduation, Sagemont students choose from a variety of regular, honors and AP course work. In addition, students share in a networked wireless laptop environment and participate in a comprehensive guidance program for college entrance. Visit The Sagemont School Web site at <http://www.sagemont.com/>.

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