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Character Parade Guidelines &

Community Service Project

Thursday, October 31st

KES has a long tradition of having a character parade each October. This year, our costume parade will be on **Thursday, October 31** at approximately 9:15 am in the bus loop. Our parents and students have always enjoyed this event very much. We would like to continue the tradition of having our students participate in a community service project. This year we are proud to join with Homes 4 Heroes, a local organization for Veterans. Please choose an item from the donation list on the back of this flyer. Have students bring items **ON THE DAY OF THE PARADE**.

**To ensure that your child can fully participate and enjoy this event, please follow the costume guidelines.** Costumes should be age-appropriate and fit appropriately to ensure your child’s safety when walking around. It is very difficult and takes away valuable time when we have to remove costume items or not allow a student to participate who does not follow the guidelines.

\***Students should wear sneakers (no heels or boots) with their costumes.**

**\*Students should come to school wearing their costumes and bring their school clothes in a bag to
 change.**

**\*It is very helpful for students to wear as much of their school clothes under their costume for ease
 and to save time.**

**\*No makeup (including fake blood) or spray color in hair**

**\*No “scary” costumes or masks – Ex: Hockey or “Scream” masks**

**\*No weapon props**

Parents, if you would like to attend the Character Parade, you **MUST** have an approved School Access form on file. **On the day of the Parade, please head to the bus loop to sign in and stay in the bus loop through the parade. Please do not go to the classroom.** Additionally, we ask that parents stand on the INSIDE of the loop to have a good view without interfering with the students watching the parade. **For safety reasons, please leave your pets at home. Thank you!**

**Donation Items for Home 4 Heroes**

**Please note that food items need to be microwavable and non-perishable. Please bring items on the DAY OF THE PARADE. Thank you!**

- Jerky

- Trail mix

- Crackers

- Canned tuna

- Canned soup/Ramen noodles

- Microwavable popcorn

- Canned fruit or fruit cups

- Peanut butter and jelly (plastic jars, please!)

- Cereal

- Cookies

- Shaving cream

- Toothpaste

- Mouthwash

- Toothbrushes

- Deodorant (men’s)

- Body wash/soap (men’s)