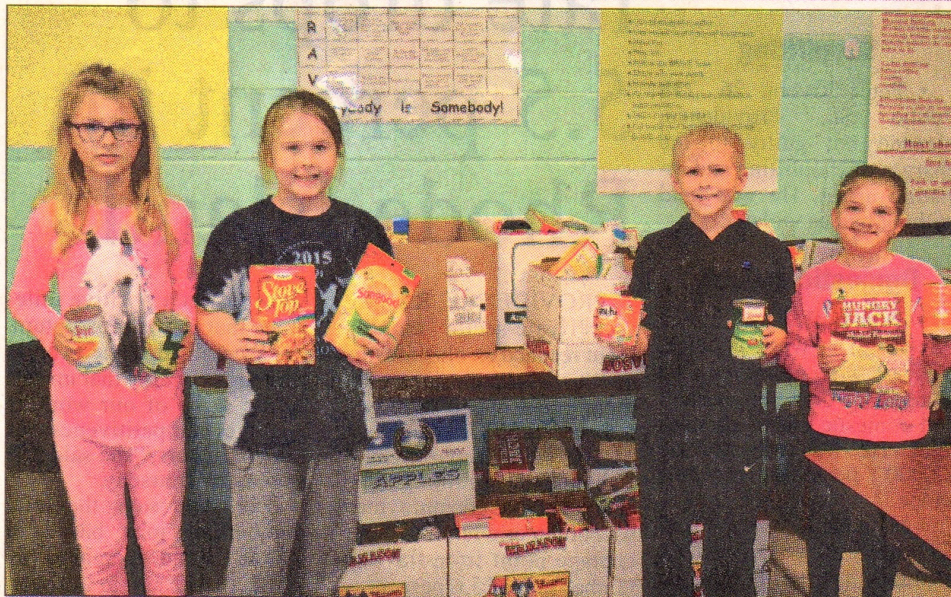


# SPREADING HOLIDAY CHEER



Photos by Kendra Miller

Above, fourth graders Joseph Martin, Lindsey Anderson, and Anna Bryson, and third grader Sage Hodges pose with their principal, Louise Seitsinger, who helped the students organize the annual food drive at Tiogue Elementary School.



The students were able to collect 1,962 canned goods last year, which was enough food to make full baskets for 25 families who will be chosen by lottery.

## Tiogue Elementary students hold food drive

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**COVENTRY** — Another holiday season is upon us and for another year, students at Tiogue Elementary School offered their support by having a canned food drive through the Feinstein program.

"This year, 25 families chosen by lottery will be re-

ceiving food baskets with everything for a Thanksgiving meal, soup to nuts, and they collected 1,962 canned goods," said Tiogue Elementary School Principal Louise Seitsinger. "It's a great way for the kids to learn to give back to the community and these kids always step up."

Until the canned goods and baskets are picked up, dozens

of boxes will line the wall on tables in the cafeteria.

Sage Hodges, a third-grader, also collected canned goods through her 4H Club for the local food bank.

"I'm happy I did it because I like to help people," she said.

Fourth-grader Joseph Martin said he is proud to help others in the community.

"It's a very good thing to do," he said.

"I feel great to help out everyone," said another fourth-grade student, Lindsey Andrews.

Anna Bryson is also very proud to be helping others and making their holiday better.

"I like helping the community and it's the right thing to do," she said.