

children in philanthropy award
STUDENTS OF ST. PATRICK SCHOOL



St. Patrick School in Kent, Ohio was founded in 1886 and is home to more than 300 students in kindergarten through eighth grade. Students have been actively involved in many different humanitarian efforts. They have raised funds for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital MATH-A-THON, American Heart Association Hoops for Hearts and Jump-a-Thon, Akron Children's Hospital and raised more than \$4,000 in 2005 for Hurricane Katrina victims. The students have also hosted lemonade stands for the last two years to raise money for cancer research.

The lemonade stands have taken on a new meaning to the children at St. Patrick School. In March 2006, second grader Brian Montgomery lost his battle with brain cancer. Jack and Allison Huscroft heard of a story of a young girl named Alex who also died of cancer and had hosted lemonade stands at a horse track near her home for cancer research. In 2005 they hosted the first stand at their house and raised nearly \$700 from the neighborhood. From coverage in the newspaper that they received Andrew Fisher also hosted a lemonade stand at his house raising \$50 which he deposited into a benevolent fund for Brian Montgomery. In 2006 the Huscroft children again hosted lemonade stands but this time they had the support of other friends around the community and several stands were hosted on the same day.

As the generosity of the entire student body grows it is a wonderful testament to the faith of the children of St. Patrick School that it is just and right to do unto others as you would have done unto you.

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