



Hello Parents and Welcome to another great year at Grover Elementary! My name is Tracy Pillado and I'm the volunteer coordinator for Box Tops for Education.

Those of you that know the program already know how simple a fundraiser Box Tops is. All you do is clip those coupons like the one above (the correct ones will have an expiration date...please make sure they are not expired) off the packages of products in your home and turn them in to school where we mail them in for cash. Each coupon from products like General Mills cereal, Betty Crocker products, Kleenex, Ziploc and so on, each coupon is worth 10 cents to our school. You may not think your 10 cents will help much but if 400 students at our school turned in 1 Bingo sheet of BoxTops (each sheet holds 25), our school would make \$1000. That adds up really fast for such a simple fundraiser.

Now for these Bingo sheets...when you clip the BoxTops, attach them either with tape or glue to the Bingo sheet. When you have 25, send the sheet in with your child...they will turn it in to me on designated days (usually Fridays but it sometimes depends on my schedule) and they then get to pick a prize out of the prize box. The kids get so excited to turn in their sheets! Make sure to fill out the bottoms of the sheet with name/teacher and grade so your child and class get credit. At the end of each quarter, the class with the most BoxTops will be awarded popsicles and the child with the most BoxTops will be awarded a certificate for an ice cream in the cafeteria. If you do not buy name brand products (many times I don't because of the cost), you can still participate. Ask Grandparents, neighbors, church members (one teacher did this and brought in a bag with over 100 BoxTops) to help you by clipping their coupons as well. Every little bit helps. Also, if you don't have a Bingo sheet, ask your teacher to send another one home to you (I try to keep extra at the school). I will take them loose in a baggie with child's information on it if you cannot get a bingo sheet.

For all you online shoppers you can help too!! Go to www.boxtops4education.com and register (this takes about 5 minutes) and make sure you put in Grover Elementary as your school of choice. When you are ready to shop...start at the website above and go to marketplace which is at the top of the page. When you hit marketplace...they will list a bunch of online stores (Walmart, Target, Old Navy, KBToys, Kohls, etc), hit the link to the store you want to shop at and you will be taken to that stores website and can shop just as you normally would...the only difference is that because you started at the BT4Ed website, a percentage of your purchase (most are about 2-3% but there are a couple that will donate up to 20%) will be donated to Grover School at no extra charge to you! This is the easiest way to earn and yet we only had 3 people sign up last year. Please go through this link to help our school...it really doesn't take more than a minute extra to shop this way and it will add up fast when the stores are donating back to us.

That's the scoop on Box Tops. Please help us with this easy fundraiser as all the money earned goes right back to our school to help provide things for all of our children.

Thank you,
Tracy Pillado

P.S. don't forget to send in all the BoxTops you collected over the summer. I will be collecting them after Labor Day and awarding the top Box Top collector with an ice cream coupon!