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The Birth of Jesus

FROM THE BOOK OF LUKE, CHAPTER 2 - NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION

n those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. ² (This was the first census that took place while[a] Quirinius was governor of Syria.) ³ And everyone went to their own town to register.

- ⁴ So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. ⁵ He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. ⁶ While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, ⁷ and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them.
- ⁸ And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. ⁹ An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰ But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. ¹¹ Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹² This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."
- ¹³ Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,

¹⁴ "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

- ¹⁵ When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about."
- ¹⁶ So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. ¹⁷ When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, ¹⁸ and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. ¹⁹ But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. ²⁰ The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things they had heard and seen, which were just as they had been told.

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How has your year been? For this year, if possible, I would like to have a Razor Drift Cart and a neon glow deck scooter. I am looking forward to having a great Christmas this year.

Love. Benjamin Estlack 5th grade 11 years old

Dear Santa.

How are you? I hope you have had a great year. And how are your elves doing, good? I hope they have been helping you. Keep up the good work! Thank you for sending Buddy the Elf back to my house. I want a Thor Ragnarok hammer without the lightning bolt, Hulk Smashers, a web-shooter from Spiderman Homecoming, a Spider-man figure, and a guitar. I have been good most of the days

Dear Santa,

I hope your year has been great. Mine has. I really look forward to Christmas. This year I would like a Barbie pink passport doll, Barbie doll with scooter, and a Barbie pink passport dollhouse. Thank you Santa.

Love, Ella Estlack 3rd grade 9 years old

Dear Santa.

For Christmas I would like a hoover board, Beats (headphones), and new basketball shoes. Hope you have safe travels on Christmas Eve.

Love. Mason Allred 5th grade 11 years old

Dear Santa,

How cold is it up in the North Pole? How's Rudolph and Mrs. Clause doing? Since I have been doing good in school. I hope my name is on the nice list. I love school and my teachers, Ms. Russell and Mrs. Ballard! This year for Christmas may I please have a laser tag gun set with orange, red, green and blue guns like my cousin Ben? I would also love to have a Nintendo DS3 with a Mario Kart game. Please bring my brother Monroe a big tractor and plow just like mine so we can farm together. Have a safe trip to my house! Thank you, Santa!

> Love. Matthew Newhouse Pre-K 5 years old

Dear Santa,

I have been trying really hard not to take all the ornaments off the Christmas tree! They are really shiny and look like they would be

thrown a couple across the room. So I'm hoping my name is still on the nice list. If it is, I would love to have some John Deere tractors to play with. I also love Choo Choos! They make a really fun noise. I will leave you some cookies and milk by the fireplace!

> Love. Monroe Newhouse 1 year old

and months.

Love your friend, Gage Aaron Kidd Age 6

Dear Santa.

When I visited a couple weeks ago I told you I wanted Halloween for Christmas. My brother keeps telling me that it isn't possible. I don't really understand why, but I guess if I can't have Halloween I would like a Princes Poppy and a baby doll. I love you, Santa.

> Love. Paden Lee Kidd Age 2

Dear Santa,

I've been very good this year. My name is Daniel, and I am 10 years old.

For Christmas, I would like a quiver, arm guard, and arrows for my bow.

I hope you enjoy a very Merry Christmas!

Love. Daniel

Dear Santa,

My name is Trigg Harper, and I am a Kindergartener at Hedley School. For Christmas, I would like for you to bring me a Paw Patrol Boat, a remote control pickup, and lots of candy. I will leave you cookies and milk on our table. I will try to listen for your sleigh and reindeer on my roof.

Dear Santa

I would like a little basketball thing and also a Minion gun. I've been a good boy.

> Love. Jase Conway

Dear Santa.

My name is Nayeli Rodriguez, I am 5 years old, and I go to school in Hedley. Santa, can you bring me a scooter, a unicorn, and an owl toy? Please remember that I have brothers and sisters at home with me. I will leave cookies and milk by the tree for you. How far away is the North Pole? Love you Santa.

Merry Christmas.

Dear Santa.

My name is Christopher Carey. I go to Kindergarten at Hedley School. I am 5 years old, and I am so excited for Christmas to come. I would like for you to bring me a remote control car, a truck, a basketball, and maybe a real puppy. How are all of your reindeer? I will leave you some treats under the Christmas tree. Love you Santa!

Dear Santa,

My name is Lucas Booth. I am 5 years old. I live in Memphis Texas, but I go to school in Hedley. I am in Kindergarten. I want you to bring me another wrestler, and please don't forget my brothers. Mom says I can leave some cookies and hot chocolate for you when you visit my house.

Love,

Dear Santa.

How is my favorite reindeer, Rudolph? My name is Maddex Gay. I am 5 years old, and I am in Kindergarten at Hedley School. I would like for you to bring me a dirt bike. We will have cookies for you.

Love, Maddex

Dear Santa,

I want to see you at the North Pole. Do you know my name? I want a baby doll. Do you have a deer named Rudolph?

> Love. Amour Jones Age 7

Dear Santa,

Hi Santa, my name is Tayden Guinn, and I go to school in Hedley Texas. I am 5 years old, and I have tried to be a really good boy this year. I would love for you to bring me some cookies, a dinosaur, and a jeep. And maybe you could bring me a water gun so I can squirt my mom and my sister with it. I wish you a Merry Christmas Santa!

Love you, Tayden

Dear Santa,

My name is Keaton Holman, I am in Pre-k at Hedley school. I am 4 years old, and I am ready for Christmas time. Please give me Christmas presents. I would like a pizza party. I want cars too. On the T V, there will be cookies!

Merry Christmas.

Love, Keaton

Dear Santa,

My name is Bailey Curry, and I go to Pre-k in Hedley. I am 4 years old. I want a bike and a ball. I want you to bring my brother and sister some cookies and cream. I have a gift for you at my house. I really would like a fake Christmas tree. Can hardly wait for you to get here Santa!

> Love. Bailey

Dear Santa,

Hello, my name is Emma Watt. I am 4 years old, and I am in Pre-k in Hedley. I love Christmas time. I want a Kitty Cat. For Wyatt, he wants a puppy dog. I would be happy if I also could get a bike and the movie Wonder Woman. I am leaving cookies for you and skittles with milk. Hope your reindeer have a great Christmas.

> Love. Emma

Dear Santa,

My name is Michelle Goodwin. I go to Hedley School. I am in Pre-k, and I am 4 years old. I would love a bike for Christmas. I am going to leave some cookies out for you. I would also love a Christmas tree! Merry Christmas Santa!

> Love. Michelle

What I want for Christmas is a fast, dirt bike. It can go on big hills and it has a long seat, so 2 people can get on it. But what I really wanted to know is what does Rudolph do? Also, on my dirt bike I want a fast, fast dirt bike that can go through little puddles of water.

Love, Kutter O'Keefe Age 6

Dear Santa,

I want a stuffed monkey. I want a baby doll set with a baby doll. I want a toy horse. I want a big dog house and a medium sized dog house. I want a kitty cat.

Love, Haylin Bivens Age 6

Dear Santa.

I want a stuffed kitty cat and a stuffed bear. I want a stuffed candy cane and Five Nights at Freddy's Plush. That's about all.

Love, Charlie Neal Age 7

Dear Santa.

I want an Xbox One. I want a fingerling. I want Cars 3 and Minecraft that goes on Xbox. I also want Skylanders that goes on Xbox. I would also like a robot and I want the new Ninjago Lloyd suit.

Love, Braxton Gribble Age 7

Dear Santa,

I want a Ben Ten watch and a computer. And I want a Smart watch and a Smart phone. I want a Flash set that comes with a helmet, a belt, and some gloves. And I want a toy car that you can actually get in. And that's it.

Love, Ethan Murray Age 6

Dear Santa,

I would like a remote control helicopter for Christmas. Can you bring my Mom a new belt bucl and my Dad a new tire for the truck and can you bring Maddie a milk goat?

Love, Brandon Moore Age 7

Dear Santa,

I want a toy shotgun and I want a Lightning McQueen motorcycle that I can drive. And I want a toy Sea Patroller.

Love, Caleb Curry Age 7

Dear Santa.

I want a rocket fishing rod and also some Mods and also a cool toy that I have never seen before and a really cool remote. That's it.

> Love, Julian Ivany Age 7

Dear Santa,

I want a Star Wars gun and a video game in a box and I want a Zombie gun too. And I want to play Zombie Catchers. And that's all.

> Love, Bryson Shoels Age 6

Dear Santa,

I want an Xbox One and a real farming game for my Xbox. I want a blue RC Monster truck. I also want a football game for my Xbox. And I want a farming game that you drive the tractor to the farm and then you farm it. I want a very soft pillow that doesn't get my head inside of it and I want it to be blue. I want a soft Texas Tech blanket. I also want a nerf gun that shoots arrows and a remote-control gun. I also want my own battleship game and My Size workout tower.

Love, Rustin Wade Age 6

Dear Santa,

Hey Santa, this is Korbyn. Can you please don't forget my presents? Can you give me the magic thing that when I say Korbyn I turn in to him and when I say Benny and the Ink Machine I turn in to him.

Love, Korbyn Jones Age 8

Dear Santa,

I want a computer and a Hatchimal and a pet dog and a new bed and a Baby Alive doll.

Love, Clara Castillo Age 6

Dear Santa,

I want a trampoline and a power wheel and a go cart.

I also want a bike that glows in the dark because my bumble bee one is broken and doesn't glow anymore.

I also want a drone.

Love, Keiden Moody Age 6

Dear Santa,

I would like a phone for Christmas. I would also like to have a 3ds. Can you please bring me a new bike? Can you bring me a gator?

> Landry Boehmisch Age 7

Dear Santa,

I would like a baby for Christmas. I also like some makpup. Can you please bring me a prite dress? I also want a castle and cran. Can you bring my a elf for Cahristmas? Can you give me your number?

> Love, Lylah Goodwin Age 7

Dear Santa,

I would like a pair of new boots for Christmas. I would also like a Barbie. Can I please have a belt and a new t-shirt? Can you bring Dawson a Paw Patrol, and bring Charity a baby doll? I have been very good! Do you have a puppy?

Love, Nevaeh Cortez Age 7

Dear Santa,

Santa will you bring all of this? I would like tires for my dad; he works at Floyds. I wish you can bring all of my family for Christmas. I don't want a cup of cole. I wont a bunch of toys for my classroom. I wont a lego super heros2. I wont a cowboyshirt. I wont a dirtbrike. I wont a cowboy hat. I wont a tree house. I have bin good. I have not bin bad.

Love, Braelyn Shatswell Age 8

Dear Santa,

I haven't ben good to but please bring the stuf that I want. Get my mom and my sistersand my grandma. Can I have some army men? Can I have nerff guns and boots and please bring a lot of army men. And a doll hous for my sister Annabell, and please bring my sister a beanbagcheer. And please bring kittens.

Love, Sebastian Garcia Age 8

Dear Santa,

Would you please bring me a firetruck? I would also like a Hotwheels A-I. Santa, thank you for bringing presents. I would also like a



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Nothing makes us prouder than the opportunity to serve all of those who have served our country, and the families who have sacrificed so much so that we may continue to enjoy the many freedoms we know today.

For your courage and generosity you have our deepest respect, and we wish you a very merry season filled with the blessings of peace, joy, harmony and the love of family and friends.

Merry Christmas!



remote control boat. Please bring presents for my Sissy and my Mom. I also want a pontoon plane that is remote control. I also want a drift cart

> Love, Logan Cockrell Age 8

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I am good. I was thinking you might help me out on Christmas this year. I just want to make sure you get some gifts for the homeless and poor like shirts and pants and some other things. It's just been I've been seeing the news about others giving stuff to the homeless and poor and I would like to try to help too. I do not know what I want other than a knife for carving and staff. But please get stuff for all the homeless no matter if they are on the naughty list or nice list. Have a very Merry Christmas and a nice flight.

Sincerely, Taylee Elhert 5th grade Hedley ISD

Dear Santa,

I hope you are doing well at the North Pole! I am not asking for too much this year. I would like 2 Xbox controllers an art kit and last but not least I would like a new fishing pole.

Sincerely, Ray Curry 5th Grade Hedley ISD



How are you doing? I want a stuffed animal for my little cousins. I would like a new baby puppy too. Can you also give my mom some money and scentsy candles? I also would like a few things for my dogs; beds, blankets, bones and for this winter to pass. Lastly, my sister wants a phone, Eiffel Tower phone case and a holiday Barbie doll. Have a great trip.

> Merry Christmas, Presley Lamb 5th Grade Hedley ISD

Dear Santa.

How are you doing this year? Are you really helping the elves build toys? Last year I had a happy holiday! I want a new Christmas. Will you please let me go on the trip? I am really worried about my grandmother. Please make her feel better!

> From. Javier Valles 5th Grade Hedley ISD

Dear Santa,

What doing? I have been a good man. So can you get me a North Carolina Panthers helmet and jersey for my Sandstorm practice? My jersey number is 35.

> Thank you, Ethan McCallister 5th grade Hedley ISD

Dear Santa.

How are you doing up in the North Pole. Can you give a present to the poor and elderly people please?! Can I have a good Christmas. Can my brother have a couple of fishing lures and a four wheeler? I have a question for you! How can you get to everyone's house in one night? Do you start in China and work your way to America?

Have a safe trip.

Evelyn Mills 5th grade Hedley ISD

Dear Santa,

Hi it's Abbey. One thing to add to my list is a Bomrang Vehicol and that is all I want to add. How is Mrs. Claus and the elfs?

> Love. Abbey Brainigan Grade: 3 Age: 9

Dear Santa,

I want a brush and a JoJo Sewa doll, a camra, and a Barbie. How many elfs are

> Love, Kali Curry Grade: 3 Age: 9

Dear Santa,

I want a new Barbie Hunting set, a Barbie doll, and a Zoomer Monkey.

> Kaitin Ehlert Grade: 3, Age: 8

Dear Santa.

I've been a good boy this year. I would like a dirt bike, a four wheeler, drone, and a exbox, a hover board, and a pair of shoes. How are everyone?

> Miles Jouett Grade: third Age: 9

Dear Santa,

I would like a lphone 7. I would also like a puppy, and to meet JoJo Siwa, and a picture with you and Mrs. Claus.

> Lillie McCleskey Grade: 3 Age: 8

Dear Santa.

My name is Haiden. I love you. I would like a drone and a mountain bike and a baseball. Bring my dads a shirt and my moms a shirt with a picture of me, and a lizard. Love.

> Haiden Norman Grade: 3 grade Age: 8 almost 9 years old on December 18, 2017

Dear Santa.

How are you and Misses Claus? I would like a NBA 2K-18 and a Mario Sport Super

> Love Braylon Rice Grade: 3rd Grade Age: 8

Dear Santa,

I am not going to ask for much this year because I know that you are busy. I want a drone, a happy toy maker bull wagon, a labtop, and a color TV, and a phone.

> Eli Ritchie Grade 3rd Grade Age 9 years old

Dear Santa,

All I want is a phone and a hover board and that's all. How is Mrs. Claus doing?

> Love. Dakoda Rodriguez Grade: 3rd grade Age: 8 years old

Dear Santa,

May I please get a new GTA game, a new xbox, a new dog, and a new four wheeler for my controller? I want to get a new basketball, amd a new NFL football so I can play with my friends. I want a Smurf ball, too that's fun!

Love, Michael 4th grade 10 years old

Dear Santa,

May I please have a Fitbit, figet cube, and a Onkey Over Drive.

Love. Coulter Lee Wortham 4th grade, 9 years old



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WITH HIGHEST PRAISE TO THE LORD AT THE BIRTH OF OUR SAVIOR. AND MANY THANKS TO YOU, OUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS FOR YOUR GOODWILL DURING THIS PAST YEAR. WITH EXCEEDING GREAT JOY WE BID YOU AND YOURS A VERY JOYOUS YULETIDE SEASON, FOLLOWED BY A MOST MEMORABLE NEW YEAR.

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May I please have Legos, Jojo Siwa posters, Jojo Siwa headphones, a Jojo Siwa bowmaker, a Jojo Siwa jounal, and aSamsung phone?

Love, Shailyn 4th grade 10 years old

Dear Santa.

May I please have a Nascar Driver's truck, a Nascar Drivers car and a remote control car? Also I want a trampline.

Love, Kyler 4th grade 9 years old

Dear Santa.

May I have a door for my room and a Minecraft plushy? PS. NOT A CHICKEN plushy! May I also have a pool table, inernet at my hosue and a mat.

Love, Kristian 4th grade 9 years old

Dear Santa,

May I please have my brother's old iphone 5? Also, may I have my own room so I do not have to share with my brother? One more thing I want is a drum set.

Love, Wrangler 4th grade, 11 years old

Dear Santa,

May I please have a slime factory, archery set, and a pug. I also would like some new pjs, Xbox, and some new boots. The rest of what I want is a Play-Doh set, a new basketball goal, and a Ranger. Then, I would like to get some clothes and shoes for some people that don't have a family I will give them some gifts.

Love, Anonymous

Dear Santa,

How have you been Santa? For Christmas I would like a mermaid tail you can swim in, some gray Uggs, and alot of squishies. I also want a blanket, a tipi to go in my room, and a foutain. Thank you for reading my letter! P.S. How many elves do you have? Merry Christmas

Love, Brooklyn Jaye Lemons 4th grade 10 years old

Dear Santa.

I would like a phone, tablet, pencils, crayons, colored pencils, an American Girl Doll, Elf on the Shelf, drum kit, coloring kit, books. I want to see my family, and for my friends to be jolly, holly, and grateful. Elsa, and Anna dresses, a Dallas Cowboys jersey, and writing spiral. Broncos jersey, video games, MP3 player, PS3, a thousand mounds of money, and a waterbottle. I love you. Merry Christmas to you and your wife!

Love, Lucie 4th grade, 10 years old

Dear Santa.

I know it's hard to deliver all those presents, but I don't want more than 8 things. I want an iphone 6, a radio, and a foot spa. If it is not too much trouble, I also want an icecream maker, a sleeping American doll, a necklace in the shape of a snowflack.

Love, Lexi Phillips 4th grade 9 years old

Dear Santa.

May I please have new games for my xbox and playstation 4, a blue cardigan, and a fish that is blue? I also want a good Christmas! I want a pug and tye dye t-shirt maker. The rest of the things I want are a figet cube, books, and new Nintedo games.

Love, Kaendan 4th grade 9 years old

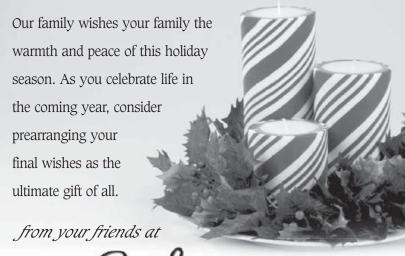
Dear Santa,

It is almost Christmas, so I am making my list. May I please have an iphone, a puppy, and clothes? I also want the stuff for a phone, like a case and a popsocket. Can I please have my own bed, too? Also, please send a girl Elf on the Shelf. Have a holly, jolly Christmas, Santa!

Love, Gracie Ellis 4th grade 9 years old



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May I please have a new phone, bike, craft kit? I also want new books. The ones I want are Dork Diaries and some whatever after books. I hope you have a nice Christmas and give all of the presents to all the boys and girls in the world!!!

> Love. Anonymous

Dear Santa,

May I please have a horse, coat, and boots? I also would like some books, a blanket, and a treehouse to play in outside. I would also like a boogie board and a hammock that will fit in my room. Thank you for reading my letter. I hope you have a Merry Christmas.

Love, Millie 4th grade 9 years old

Dear Santa,

May I please have a new hoverboard, blanket, and a coat? I would also like a new pair of shoes t-shirt, and some new hair ties. The last couple of things are new socks, bows, and earrings.

> Love. Shelby Christopher 4th grade 9 years old

Dear Santa.

I want a gold football ring, with a cross necklace. I want a lime green drums, and a pistol so I can go hunting with my granpa. I want a paint ball gun to. Or a phone or table I don't care. Some drum sticks to please.

Love, Shane 4th grade 9 years old

Dear Santa,

Can I have a new writing journal, Xbox One X, a book, 100 pencils, pencil sharpener. I also want money, Xbox one S, and PC. May I please have a new house, a new blanket, new clothes, a new bed, a new Jaket and new toys.

> David 4th grade 9 years old

Dear Santa.

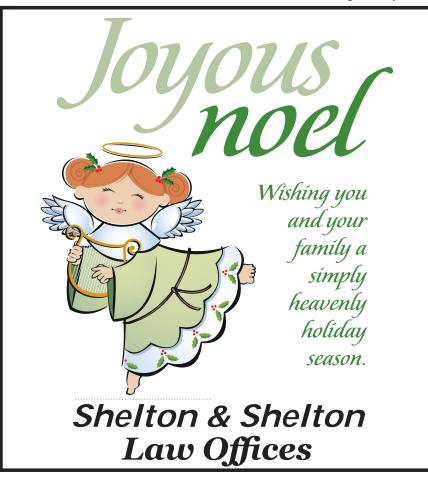
I want to have Lego men, PS4 and Halo Legos. I would also like an Elf on the Shelf. and a reindeer on a shelf. I want snow, a snow globe, a real fish pet, head phons, PS4 games. A pet dog and a drone.

> Love. Nolan 4th grade 10 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a Santa suit and a diffractor. I want the homeless people to have a home, money, food, and clothes. I want my family to be bigger. May I have a rendeer?

> Love. Roxie 4th grade, 10 years old





For the joy your friendship has brought us we are sincerely grateful and wish you a very memorable holiday season.



I would like a hoverboard. What I would most like is a iPhone 6 Plus. Would you please get me some new shoes. I also want some new clothes. I want to help the ones in need, because they need more stuff than I do. Please go to their houses. I believe in you.

Love, Kyndall 4th grade 10 years old

Dear Santa.

How are you this year? I do not know what I want for Christmas. Every year it is hard to decide. Ok, really. I want a lot of stuff, but I just don't know how to explain. This year I want a rocket copter and some twin Hatchimals.

Love, Madilyn Benson 4th grade 9 years old

Dear Santa,

May I please have these movies: Emojie Movie, Captian Underepants, and the movie called Diary of a Whimpy Kid?

> Love, Trystan 4th grade 9 years old

Dear Santa,

I want to get a book for Christmas. I hope you and your elfs have a good Christmas. I hope they make a good book. I want it to snow. HAPPY CHRISTMAS!

Love, Dakota 4th grade 9 years old

Dear Santa.

This year I have been bad and good. Mostly good I think. May I have a diffractor, a remote control car or a drone. Also, I would like Christmas themed clothes and a little heater for my brothers room. Thank you Santa for reading my letter if you get a chace.

Love, Kaleb 4th grade 10 year old

Dear Santa,

"Hi" Santa and the elves. On the first December, I saw Cris. T. Elf. He said, "Hello," to my family. For Christmas I want 5 slimes, 2 Squishies, turquoise bed sheets, and turquoise curtains. Thank you, Santa! I have been excited about Christmas!

> Love, Presley Smith 4th grade 9 years old

Dear Santa,

I want for Christmas is kit. For Christmas I will love to have a puppy to santa.

Love, Karly 3rd grade 9 years old

Dear Santa.

I would like a iphone 7 for Christmas and i would also like an Apple watch. I would love to take a picture with you, but I know you're busy. May I please have new pencils, a writing notebook, and new Adidas shoes? I will be thankful for whatever I get. I want my family to be jolly and holly. Hope you find me soon.

Love, Kashlyn Conkin 4th grade 9 years old

Dear Santa.

I would like to have a Cowboy jersey and a water bottle for school. I would like a real cat, dog, horse, pig and bird. I love you Santa and I will want a snake, spider, and a spiderman suit. I also want a Mp3 player.

Love, Miranda 4th grade 10 years old

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a really fluffy kitten (a real one) and a gold drone. I want a bird cage for my bird and some toys for my bird, too. I really want to see my brother, David, most of all. Have a happy Christmas.

Love, Autumn 4th grade 9 years old

Dear Santa,

What I want for Christmas is a regtangler Trampoline. I will make you the best cookies. The thing I want most for Christmas is for my whole family to be jolly and holly just like you. I will be thankful for whatever I get for Christmas.

Love, Elliot 4th grade 10 years old

Dear Santa,

I would like a Walkeetalkee, please. Will you please bring something for my baby brother? And can you bring something for my daddy, and mom and sister?

I hope your reindeer aren't hurt.

Love, Henry Robertson Pre-K 5 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a kit of some bulldog pictures and some doll too.

Love, Suzannah Williamson 3rd grade 8 years old

Dear Santa,

I am very excited for Christmas. What are you doing? Is Mrs. Clause ok please answer. I want a boots and one Jordan's that are blue and green.

Love, D'won Brown 3rd grade, 8 years old

Dear Santa,

I am very excited for Christmas this year I hope you have a happy day for Christmas. I hope you eat a lot of cookies and milk. Please can you give me a four wheeler, Xbox 360 and a play watch. I will leave you cookies and milk.

Love, Ja'Zarien Cornilles Moore 3rd grade 8 years old

Dear Santa,

I am very excited for Christmas this year. How is Rudolf? I want for Christmas is an apple watch, an exbox, and hopkins. I am going to leave you cookies and milk. Have a safe trip and thank you.

Love, Serenity Lee 3rd grade 9 years old

Dear Santa,

I'm so excited for Christmas. I am doing great. Somethings I want for Christmas are some new boots, a dress, bows, and a book. Have a great Christmas.

Love, Anna Balogh 3rd grade 9 years old

Dear Santa,

I am very excited for Chritmas. I hope you are having a good time. Tell Rudolf your getting fat eating all those cookies for Christmas. I want a puppy and a rolex. I can't

wait I am leaving you cookie and milk. Hunter is out.

Love, Hunter 3rd grade 8 almost 9 years old

Dear Santa,

I am excited for christmas this year. This year I want a Nintendo Switch, minecraft, and super mario odyssey. (nintendo switch games) and I want a new phone.

Love, Trystan Ritchie

Dear Santa,

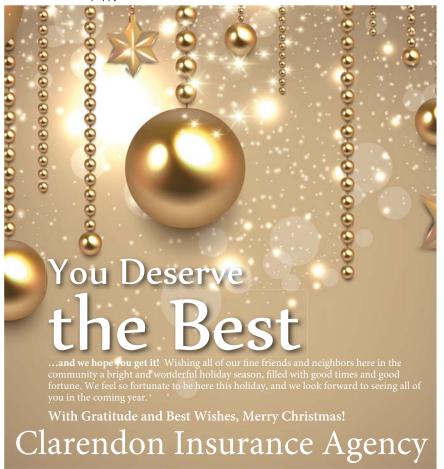
I am very excited for Christmas this year. How are your elves and Mrs. Clause? I hope everyone has a great year this year. I would like a hatchamle, computer and a hover board. On Christmas Eve me and my family will leave you some cookies and milk.

Love, Cambree Smith 3rd grade 9 years old

Dear Santa,

i love Christmas! It is my favorite holiday. How are the reindeer? This year I would like a gaming chair, lava lamp (gold), and a watch. i will get cookies and a Dr. Pepper. Has Mrs. Clause been ok? Have a very safe trip from the North Pole!

Love, Shaun Childers 9 years old



I have been waiting for Christmas since it ended last year! How are your Reindeer? The things I really want is a hooverboard with my name on it, a light pink helmet because my mom says I don't get a hooverboard if not. The last thing I want is charm braclet and charms. Have a great Christmas!

Love, Kortni Davis 3rd grade 8 years old

Dear Santa.

I am going to be excited for Christmas. How are you this year? How is Mrs. Clause this year? I will leave you cookies and milk. What I want is an Xbox one X and headsets.

Love, Kendon Hanes 3rd grade 9 years old

Dear Santa,

It's almost Christmas. i have an elf on the shelf it is not bad. What I want for Christmas is a xbox one x and a game for my ps4 and a tablet and move.

Love, Aiden Morris

Dear Santa.

I am so excited for Christmas. For Christmas I would like a phone, a cotton candy maker, and a clay pot maker. How is Rudolf and Mrs. Clause? Thank you Santa Clause I will leave you some milk and chocolate chip cookies. Thank you.

> Love, Kinley McClelland 3rd grade 8 years old

Dear Santa.

This year I am very excited because I get 3 Christmas. So can you please can you get me a hoverboard, earring, Jojo bow and a pet yorky

I am going to leave you some oreos chocolate chip cookies and strawberry milk.

Love, Lilly 3rd grade 8 years old

Dear Santa.

I am so excited for christmas. How are you and Mrs. Clause and rudolf? I am having an awesome year I hope you are to. I would like a jacket, the whole set of haunted library books, and a new journal. Thank you!

Love, Lindley Hill 3rd grade 8 years old

Dear Santa,

I can't wait for Christmas this year. How are you doing today. I want cosmo and a thunder tumble and I want bumper cars. Thank you.

Love, James Anderson 3rd grade 9 year old

Dear Santa.

I like Christmas I hope you have fun. How is Mrs. Clause and rudolf and you? This year I want a Hoover board and clothes. I will put some milk and cookies out.

Love, Kylynne 3rd grade 9 years old

Dear Santa,

I am very excited for Christmas Santa, what's the north pole look like? I would like some new toy, clothes, a new home, a good life

> Love, Alana Johnsen 3rd grade 9 years old

Dear Santa.

Santa, please tell Mrs. Clause to have a good Christmas. Santa, I love Christmas. It is the best year. Santa, please tell Rudolf to have a good Christmas too. Santa, I am putting cookies and milk. Santa all I want is my family.

Love, Albagail Keen 3rd grade 8 years old

Dear Santa,

I hope you have a good Christmas and is Mrs. Clause doing good? I hope you have a enough presents for the kids. I have a question can I have a hoverboard, and a new braceilet. Thank you.

Love, Gracen Sims 3rd grad 9 years old

Dear Santa,

I hope that you have a nice year. I am going to leave you some cookies when you come. I really want a drone that has camera on it, new phone, and a car that you can drive with a contol.

Love, Caleb Herbert 3rd grade 8 years old

Dear Santa,

I hope you and Mrs. Clause are doing good. I am very excited about Christmas. My favorite holiday is probably Christmas. Could you get me some five nights at Freddy's Plushies, a tiny piano, and some books.

Love, Dahlia Neal 3rd grade 8 years old

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Clause and the elves doing Santa? I hope you are doing good Santa, I want a computer, Xbox 1, and cuphead.

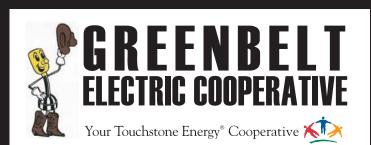
Love, John Holt 3rd grade 9 years old



May your holiday be brimming with good times and glad tidings.

It's been a pleasure serving you this past year...thanks!





I hope you are doing well and have had a great year. I have been looking for Jojo my elf. I'm so excited. Here's a few things I want: legos of any kind. A picture of Rudolf.

Love, Zane Cruse 3rd grade 9 years old for my sissy, and some cute baby clothes for my new sister, a rose for my mom, and some cool headphones for my daddy. That's all the presents I want!

Love, Marleigh Farmer Pre-K 4 years old

Dear Santa,

I hope you and Mrs. Clause have had a great year. I will leave cookies and milk and carrots for you raindeers. I hope you get to come to my house this year. What I want you to get me is a desk and fluffy chair. I hope you get to come this year.

Love, Kinslee Hatley 3rd grade 9 years old

Dear Santa.

I hope you and Mrs Clause are doing good. I am excited for Christmas this year. This year can you bring me an Apple Watch, a new skateboard, and a pocket knife.

> Love, Klay Wilkins 3rd grade 9 years old

Dear Santa,

Have you had a good year? Well I have. Are you and Mrs. Clause, your reindeer, and elves good? I hope Rudolf's nose is glowing really bright. I'm so excited for Christmas. I have been a good boy and so has my family. Please don't give me coal. I hope you be safe going around the world and giving presents. I will leave you some of the best cookies with some really good milk for you to eat and drink. I hope you get me a fitbit, some boots, and a snow globe.

Love, Parker Haynes 3rd grade 8 years old

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph doing? Does he really have a red nose? I would like a basketball, a toy dinosaur, and a box of plain legos. Please bring something for my sisters too.

> Love, Cotton Halsey Pre-K 5 years old

Dear Santa.

I hope you had a wonderful year. I am excited for this year. This year please bring me a whistle, Apple watch, and a Nerf gun. I will leave you some cookies and some milk.

Love, Emily Dzamco 3rd grade 8 years old

Dear Santa.

I want a baby doll with hair, some clothes, new tennis shoes with unicorn sparkles, a hairbrush set, a new tablet, makeup, a littlebitty robot cat, a new lunchbox, some toys

Dear Santa.

Hi Santa how is Mrs. Clause doing? I hope you had an awesome day. Are your elves doing good and are your reindeer? I hope you are doing great? Can I please have anime stuff, a country guitar, and a drum set.

Love, Emery Carineau 3rd grade 8 years old

Dear Santa,

I hope you and Mrs. Clause are feeling good. I am so excited about Christmas. I hope your reindeer are good to. I love you and Mrs. Clause and your reindeer. I hope you bring me the toys I want this Christmas. Could you please bring me a hoverboard, and ipad, and a kuria watch.

Love, Marelli Mercado 3rd grade 9 years old

Dear Santa,

I hope you and all of the reindeer have had a great year. This year could I have a Kano computer kit, a Rassberry Pi, and a Nintendo Switch. P.S. I also am making cookies for you.

George Washinton Haward V 3rd grade 9 years old

Dear Santa,

I hope you and Mrs. Clause are doing fine. I miss you Santa. I got a suprise for you when you get to my house. Can you bring me doctor stuff, baby that has a with a stroller.

Love, Jazaria Moore 3rd grade 8 years old

Dear Santa,

I am ready for Christmas this year. I have had a good year. Have you? Thank you for my presents last year. This year can you bring me a phone case, a pop socket, and a new basketball.

> Love, Aubry Stidham 3rd grade 8 years old

Dear Santa.

I hope I am on the good list. I look forward to Christmas this year. This year I want a Chihcahua thats alive, a stuffed chihcahua, and a robot chihcahua. Have a Merry Christmas.

Love, Mimrose Hall 3rd grade 9 years old



Celebrate The Miracle!

At the miracle of His holy birth,

We pray for hope and peace on earth;

And we ask for His good graces, too

That we may share with all of you

The message of that first Christmas Day

As we send this note of thanks your way!

CLARENDON Family Medical Center

We will be closed December 25 & January 1.

This year for Christmas I want a Pogo-it, Hatchimal, and an Easy Bake Oven. I have been super good this year. I love you so much Santa, see you soon!

> Journee Grace Morris Pre-K 4 years old

Dear Santa,

I love Santa. I have been good. I love your beard. My brother and sister have been good. I would like a tablet to play on, a tea set and that is it. I will leave you cookies and a present. Merry Christmas!

> Love. Kree Gaither Pre-K 4 years old

Dear Santa

My name is Slaid and I am 4 years old. Please bring me a Lightening McQueen race track and cars. I would also like three plows for Daddy's tractor. Bring bullets to Bubba, fish spray to Mama, and bullets to Daddy. My family will make you banana pudding when you come.

> Love. Slaid Russell Pittman Pre-K 4 years old

Dear Santa,

I would like a Loveabella doll and a Baby Alive doll. I would also like a Daniel Tiger Sticker Book. When you come to all the houses in the middle of the night be careful. Have a Merry Christmas.

> Love. Lydia Balogh Pre-K 5 years old

Dear Santa.

I want an American Girl doll and a desk and a laptop and a doll bed and some nice books and a Yeti and a set of bookmarks.

> Love, Addison Havens 2nd grade 8 years old

Dear Santa.

I want a calling watch, Nerf gun, a fake handgun, a real french bulldog, Tom Brady jersey, a hot tub, a speed boat.

> Love, Madden Emerson 2nd grade 7 years old

Dear Santa.

I would like Disney princesses for Christmas. I really have been a good girl this year.

> Love. Madison Green 2nd grade 7 years old

Dear Santa.

I will like a tededer uncorn and a gragin tededirb and I will have a fone tangter and a Minecraft and it on my fone and itrnet and in my home and I will want a nuth bog and it will bappape so my bog will not be aloneand I will want and I will want a huvrbord.

> Love Mercede 2nd grade 9 years old

Dear Santa.

I whant a call watch a robotdog a American girl doll a phone a long bord a huverbord a real elf with play house that is bult on odament you can hang on your tree and it lights up cus they are so pritty cus thay are so colorfall and thats why i love lights thear so so so so so so pritty and I whant a compoter.

> Kynleigh Roys 2nd grade 7 years old

Dear Santa,

I want wates for Christmas and a black cowboy hat, and jens, and red boots, and jackets, and shirts, and red and black shoes, and I want a pircher of Roodoff.

> Love **Hudson Howard** 2nd grade 8 years old

Dear Santa.

I want a go cart and a nerf split strike and a nerf roto fury. I also want a Tom Brady jersey, and two pugs and I want the pugs to be fawn colored.

> Love. Bruce Campbell 2nd grade 8 years old

Dear Santa.

I want a elf for Christmas a elf on the shelf I also want a skooter that you sit on. I also want a santa toy with the elf toy a nuther citty and a dog poke hole's in thar boxes, I love you Santa!

> Love. Khloe Burns 2nd grade 7 years old

Dear Santa.

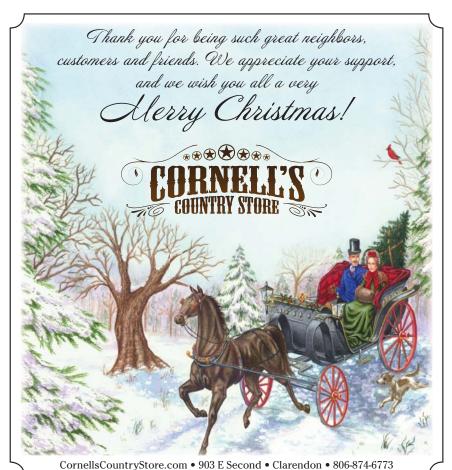
I want a Alaina dress, a American girl bath tub for the doll, I want Elbow pads and knee pads for my skate board, and carrot the Wellie wisher rabbit, and a girl doll camper.

Love. Makynna Williams 2nd graders 7 years old

Dear Santa.

I want a Kreo legos Transformers and a ring for my mom. And I want a Nerf guns and Kreed and Santa Merry Christmas. The end.

> Love Jaxon Robertson 2nd grade 8 years old





With best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a **Happy New Year** to one and all.



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I would like a basketball and some tite pants and I some shurts and I want a ring and I bow and a jojo samarkan girl doll and amarkan girl dolls and shows that and I wold like cprysun an I wold like to have a new phone and amariken girl doll stuff and a lite for my desk.

> Love. Josie Murillo 2nd grade 7 year old

Dear Santa.

For Crismis I want WWE toys like the Roke the Bigshow under tacker a gtaer the Waett Famaly The Shild a WWE later Cher a table WWE belts Klesto Sincara Mark Henry Rry Mesteryo Aberto Derreo Jrasic World toys and a picsner of all Rane Dean Preas and AJ Stals.

> Love. Aiden Lee Burnam 2nd grade 7 years old

Dear Santa.

I whant a call watch a robot dog a American girl doll a phone a longboard a real elf a play house that is bult an odament you can hang on your tree and it lights up cus I love stuff that lights up cus they are so pritty cus that are so colorfull and thats why I love lights thear so so so so so so pritty and I whant a computer.

> Kynleigh Roys 2nd grade 7 years old

Dear Santa.

I hope you bring my family what they want. And I hope you have a good Christmas this year. This year I would like a horse, hoverboard, candy, shoes. That is what I would like for this Christmas.

> Love, Lauren 5th grade 11 years old

Dear Santa.

Hi, my name is Livia. I miss my dad and I have not seen him since 9 years ago and I forget were he is but if you can not get him. Then can you get me a horse so it can be my best frind. That wood be nice.

> Livia Jones 5th grade 11 years old

Dear Santa.

How are you? How's Mrs. Clause? How are the elves - are they behaving? I bet everyone is busy, with the hustle and bustle of Christmas! I'm so excited! For Christmas I want some converse, some clothes from Maddie Ziegler's line, and slime supplies! Hope all is well at the North Pole!

> Love, Gracie Clark 5th grade 11 years old





you in 2018. Thank you from all of us at Broken Road Jr.! Larry & Karon Ely



I just wanted to say Hi because is almost here and I just wanted to check on you bye.

> Love. Melanie Mellado 5th grade 10 years old

Dear Santa,

I want just a few things. I really want light up Yeezys and also a Virtual reality star wars. And for my phone a new case and screen protector.

> Love. Riley Jantz 5th grade 10 years old

Dear Santa.

Can I please have a new puppy and a battery power radar. I am pretty sure I been good this year.

> Love. John A. 5th grade 12 years old

Dear Santa.

How have you been? Can I please have a fuzzy warm blanket, nail polish, and surprise blind bays. I have had a good year and have been very good.

> Rosa Olivas 5th grade 11 years old

Dear Santa,

I want angry birds, some Dr. Seuss books and toys. I would also like some Dr. Seuss movies.

> Love your friend, Zack Lockhart 5th grade 10 years old

Dear Santa,

Can I please have a fuzzy warm blanket and a rainbow bear, and some new clothes.

> Love. Athena 5th grade, 11 years old

Dear Santa,

This year I am not really sure if I was good... or not. Anyways how are you this year? I bet it's really heavy carrying thousands of presents in that sack on your back. So this year I only want one thing and that is The second babysitters club book by Raina Telgemier. Thank you for all for all the presents you've ever given me! P.S. good luck

> Isabella Neal 5th grade 11 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a hoverboard a Iphone X 10 and I have been good this year. Hope your rudough been good this year.

> Kimbrasha 5th grade, 11 years old

Dear Santa.

I want to wish you a merry Christmas. To your reindeer, and elf have a Jolly Christmas and have fun flying your slay.

> Love. Anthony 5th grade 10 years old

Dear Santa,

I have been okay this year, I really don't want much bt before I tell you what I want, I'd like to ask you how your reindeer are doing we might set some milk and cookies out. The only thing I really want for Christmas is a happy family and a good Christmas, and to celebrate Jesus's birthday thats what Christmas is for. Good luck on taking those presents to kids.

> Love. John Weatherton 5th grade 10 years old

Dear Santa,

How are your Reindeer. I'm good. I'm excited for Christmas because you get to spend it with your family and friends. How much snow have you gotten. We haven't gotten any yet. All I want for Christmas this year is for my Mom to be safe.

> Love, Bryce 5th grade 10 years old

Dear Santa,

How has it up at the pole. Is it fun making toys for everyone, well if you could I would like two things this year. I would like some Ariat boots and some new basketball shoes. Hope you have a good time.

Love Mason Sims 5th grade 10 years old

Dear Santa.

I want a cupcake and a cake and a brownie and a chocolate chip cookie.

> Love. Robert 5th grade 11 years old

Dear Santa,

I want some new xbox games. Some new clothes. Thank you Santa.

> Love, Bodhi 2nd grade 8 years old

Dear Santa,

I would love a puppy, barby doll, dress, cowgirl hat, purs, dirt bike, hed bands, socks, walet, fake ear rings.

I love you so much.

Love. Abby Blalock 2nd grade 8 years old





I would like a new bike. I would also like to have a new phone with ear buds. Santa I also really want a new art set with the stand and everything that goes to an art set. I also want a handmade ornament. Last but not least, I really really want a set of brand new movies that my family and I have never seen.

Love, Gracie W. 5th grade 11 years old

Dear Santa.

All I want for Christmas are four things, I want a nerf gun a machine nerf gun to be precice. A set of two walkie talkies for our nature game we have sticks and rope for weapons and resources now I need a way to communicate also there in one box please. I would also like another nerf gun machine gun of course. And a my pillow a real good pillow please and thank you.

Love, Tayten 5th grade 11 years old

Dear Santa,

I want five more elf's each Christmas so it will be like a search for elf's each time I wake up close to Christmas.

Love, Justus 2nd grade 8 years old

Dear Santa.

On Christmas I will leave you cookies and some milk and a cokeucdu, and I wish I can see roodoff, and what I want for Christmas is more jeans, and a new bronco shirt, and a colt shirt, and I want a apple watch because I can connect it to my ipad, and I want fake glasses, and the one wish that I want is for my ankil to come back from the army and I want a picter of me and you and roodoff and it is okay if you dond give me a phone!

Love, Eliana Rodriguez 2nd grade 8 years old

Dear Santa,

I wold like a stuft Daisy duck. Can I have a giant tedy bear? Thank you Santa.

Love, Kennedy Halsey 2nd grade

Dear Santa,

I would like a football scoreboard. Also football stuff.

Love, Payton Kole Inman 2nd grade 8 years old

Dear Santa.

I want oonies, crafting supples, emjoi pillow, tabliet, Santa hat, and a Jojo doll.

Love, Skylar 2nd grade, 7 years old

Dear Santa,

A new goat and a dog and a diary. Thank you Santa.

Love, Lexi Jantz 2nd grade 7 years old

Dear Santa,

What I would like for Christmas is a bike, bows, shoes, fit bit.

Love, Sequoia Weatherton 2nd grade 8 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a toy computer. I want a sleang shot. I want a elfe on the shelf. I want a toy Santa. I want a toy car. I want clothes. I want some candy canes.

Love, Samuel 2nd grade 9 years old

Dear Santa,

I want all the minecraft plushies, a minecraft lego set, some angry bird plushies, and a angry bird set. My mom wants a new ice maker and my dad wants a football.

Love, Max Caudle 2nd grade 7 years old

Dear Santa.

I want lot's of books. I also want some new cloths. I also want a diary. I also want a painting set.

> Love, Landry King 2nd grade 6 years old

Dear Santa,

I wood want a playhouse. I wood like a littl kitten. I would like a big stuft ber. I wood like a ril phon. I wood love a Chokvlit fant in.

Love, Konscience May Cubitt 2nd grade 7 years old

Dear Santa.

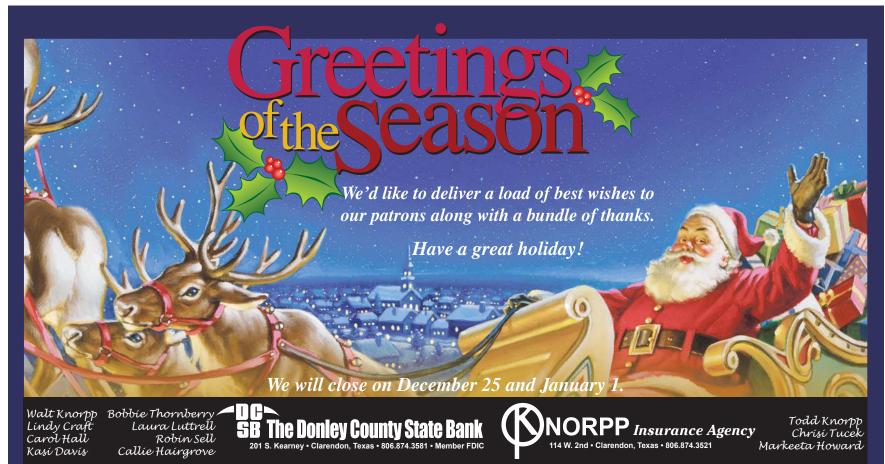
I truly want a stick bat for Christmas, and I really want to get a real life riandeer picter, and a nerf gun reicen mark eleven! I would love to get those thing's I really am looking forward to it. Merry Christmas!

Love, Flint Pittman 2nd grade 7 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a new white puppy. I want a new kid forwiller. I want a new phone. I want a new xbox.

Love, Malachi Murphy 2nd grade 7 years old



I want a remote control motocicle, remote control helicopter, and a remote control robot! I love you so much!!!

> Love. Raydenn Thomas

Dear Santa,

I am excited for Christmas. Are you excited for Christmas? This year I wood like to have a scooter whith triple wheels two in the back please, constrchian simulatory, farming simulator 15 and that will be all. Hope you have a gate year! And donet forget my family!

> Kreed Robinson 2nd grade 8 years old

Dear Santa.

I want a xbox 4 for Christmas and a game disc of ark sorvivil. I also want a dinosaur battle pen with dinosaurs. I also want a black, white, and red motorcycle. I also want a hover board. I really want a picture of roudge. I also want a dallas cowboy helmet.

> Love. Hagen 2nd grade, 8 years old

Dear Santa.

Let me start out by saying I can explain. I've worked really hard to be a good boy this year but, it's so hard being two. If you decide to put me on the nice list, I would really like some cool new tools, a Mickey Mouse table

Rudolph some snacks and I'll leave you some sweet treats too!

Merry Christmas Santa!

P.S. Sorry I stomped on your ELF! Landyn Hill, 2 years old

Dear Santa,

How are you and Mrs. Claus? Are the reindeer ok? Don't forget to check the list twice! I hope you have a Merry Christmas! This Christmas I would like a music player, Ragedy Ann doll, a blue button sweater, and a Rudolph teddy bear. Thank you for listening. I will make sure the cookies are warm. Fly safely see you later.

Your friend, Adrianna Villarreal 4th grade

Dear Santa

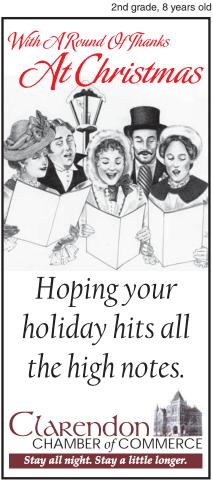
How are you? Are you good? I hope so. I would like a remote control helicopter that flies 3 miles, a remote control truck that does flips. a blue rope, two sweaters with reindeer for mom and dad, a black and green trampoline, and a blue and purple sparkle bike. Have a

Merry Christmas, Madison Moore 4th grade

Dear Santa,

I want laptop, girl elf, horse, iphone 6, dog, and cat and one thing else, that Santa want's to bring me.

Love.



Behold the Miracle

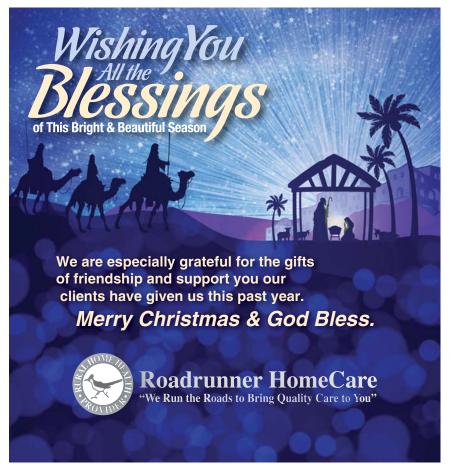
For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6



May the miracle of His birth fill your heart with light at Christmas time and all year. Rejoice!



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THANK YOU

- For including us in your travels this year! We look forward to seeing you again soon.

Osburn **Appliance &** Consignment

How are you doing? Why do you wear a red suit? You do know that if a kid is half asleep red will catch their eye! Right? How's Rudolph? Is he a father or a grandfather? Thank you for all the presents in the past. This year for Christmas I would like a toy biplane, a remote control car/boat, a white Christmas, and most importantly peace on earth literally.

Merry Christmas, Mason Green 4th grade

Dear Santa,

How is Mrs. Claus doing? I hope you had a good summer. How is the weather at the North Pole? Watch out for those airplanes. For Christmas, I'd like a fish tank, a NBA 2K18 game on the PS4 please. That will be all.

Your friend, Collin Alston 4th grade

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a Flip-a-zoo. A play do set. A bike and a tablet. A basketball, and a baseball bat. Bubblegum and a bow and arrow. A puppy, a hatchable, cotton candy machine and gum ball machine.

Love, Autumn Shatwell First Grade-6 years old

Dear Santa,

Four Christmas I want a play castle and a puppy. I also want a gumball machine and a Christmas barbie huse and a toy frog.

Love, Annabell Villarreal First Grade 6 years old

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a new gun, play-do, a tablet, bike, legos, bow and arrow.

Love, Josue Prieto First Grade 7 years old

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a Barbie doll and a tablet. Gumball machine and a Christmas Barbie house.

Love, Kialla Mcduffie First Grade 6 years old

Dear Santa,

This year Christmas I don't want a lot, if you could just get me one thing, a softball net for batting into and pitching into. And I might leave you some cookies and milk, he he, Merry Christmas Santa.

Love, Tandie 5th grade

Dear Santa.

For Christmas I want makeup and a toy cat. Also a puppy and horse, candy and gum ball machine, play do and coloring back.

> Love, Charity Cortez First Grade- 6 years old

Dear Santa.

For Christmas I want a robot and boat with a cannon and a bow and arrow.

Love, Wyatt Watts First Grade 6 years old

11 years old

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a cupe doll, Flip a zoo and a basketball. I also want play do.

Love, Emmalyn Henson First Grade- 6 years old

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a bike and fishing pole. Tablet and dort bike.

Love, Jose Martinez First Grade 6 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a MY Little Pony, a play-doh set, Diary with lots of pages, Trolls, and a Bible too. So what I really want for Christmas is a doll to be pacific a Barbie doll, a dog, and a cat. And I really want to learn to listen more often. Oh ya and a reindeer Rudolph and cloths and shoes.

Love, Harley Lockeby Kindergraden 6 years old

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a bb gun, bow and arrow and a cotton candy machine. I also want a spaceship.

Love, Damien Alston First Grade 7 years old

Dear Santa,

This year I want a pool table. A toy sword with a gun and a white mask.

Love, Leo Sandlin First Grade 7 years old

Dear Santa.

I would like a cat and dog for Christmas. I have been good for Christmas how are you?

Love.

Angela

Dear Santa.

I hope you have a very marry Christmas.
What I want for Christmas are Legos/cars/and



an Xbox 360. I hope Rudolph has been good and not mean. You're awesome you're the Jolly old fat man but your still the best keep your

> Love. Cory 5th grade 11 years old

Dear Santa.

Hi, my name is Kennadie and I would like for Christmas, a black and turquois bottom and top hoverboard shin, white hightop converse, and a new phone and phone case. Also, my Elf just came today and on his note he said "he won't cause much trouble this year." I just want to wish you a merry Christmas, and check on the reindeer.

> Love. Kennadie Cummins 5th grade 11 years old

Dear Santa,

I always wanted a hover board of my own I have one just not my own. I want to wishy you a merry Christmas and a happy new year

Love. Itavianna 5th grade 12 years old

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas I want a lot of stuffed animals, also I want clothes. And that's all I want for Christmas.

> Love, Javmi 5th grade 11 years old

Dear Santa,

This year all I want is a phone and some new riding boots, and a tiny little kitty, or a hamster. That's it Merry Christmas and a happy new year, P.S. can I please have a life time supply of gum and tic tacs.

Love, Chelsea 5th grade 11 years old

Dear Santa,

I want WWII Call of Duty, Just Cause 3, Batman Retun to Arzami, Batman Arkham Asylum, Batman Akham City, Bateman Arkham Original, Elis Presay, Ventriloquist. P.S. the games are PS4 PSS I'll have the cookies done PSSS wach my elf.

> Jaythan 5th grade 10 years old

Dear Santa,

I have been looking forward to a good school year I think I have been good so I hope I have a good Christmas and bring me something good.

Love, Colton Caudle 5th grade 10 years old

Dear Santa.

Hello Santa I hope your Christmas is going good I now you must be busy from making pricents but what I want for Christmas is a hverboard if it is ok fer you.

> Mariana 5th grade 11 years old

Dear Santa.

This year I want for Christmas is a Houston Texans xbox 1 S controller, Football cards, Houston Texans color rush, Deshan Watson jersey, and Houston Texans banner and that it and Santa have a Happy New Year.

> Love Hunter 5th grade 11 years old

Dear Santa.

I want nothing for Christmas this year so I want to whish you a merry Christmas and a happy new year have a safe flight. I only want my little pony stuff thanks.

> Summer 5th grade 12 years old

Dear Santa.

How cold is it at the North pole? How many elve's do you have. What I want for Christmas is, a new PS-3 game, a new B-B gun, a little toy arcade machine, some legos, another PS-3 controller, and some Anki over drive fast and furious cars. Merry Christmas and a happy new year.

> Koltvn 5th grade 10 years old

Dear Santa,

How are you, Mrs. Clause, and the elves doing? I hope you are all doing fine. I have tried to be good this year. This year for Christmas I would like earrings that won't hurt my ears, Kendra Scott jewelry, a surprise, and for my family to be together and happy. Tell the reindeer I will leave treats for them and cookies and milk for you. I hope you have a very merry Christmas and a happy new year!

> Maloree 5th grade 10 years old

Dear Santa,

I would like a new white Ford dually. I would like a new cattle trailer. I need a red hay trailer to pull with the Ford dually. Please bring a red truck with a cake box and hay forks. (by the Happy Toy maker) and a gray trailer (cattle). Please, may I have a backup shoot. I need a red semi that is plastic and pulls a cattle trailer just like a real one

> Love, Jayton Moore 1st grade 7 years old

Best Holiday Wishes To All



Wishing you and yours peace, love, and much good cheer throughout this wonderful season. Thanks to all our friends and neighbors for their loyal support.

Our door is always open to you!

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I hope you are having a good year. This Christmas I hope all the boys and girls git some toys. This Christmas I am hoping that I can have a kid Fitbit. Also a new pair of boots. This Christmas I also want a new bedsheet if you could do all that it would be the best Christmas ever

Love, Grant Haynes 5th grade 11 years old

Dear Santa.

How is it there in the North Pole? I hope it's great! Santa I would really like a razor hoverboard, gift card, and a surprise from you! Let the reindeer know have a very Merry Christmas! You too Santa can't forget about you! I hope I'm on the good lost! I hope Jingles comes soon! Talk to you next year!

Love, Aiden 5th grade 10 years old

Dear Santa.

What I want for Christmas is a dog, or a emoji pillow. Santa what I really want is to go to my moms house and see her, and live with her. Thank you Santa. Also I want a hatchables. Thank you Santa.

Love, Hayden 5th grade 9 years old

Dear Santa.

I would like to have some toy dirt bikes, wrestling action figures, and a lego set. I will set a glass of chocolate milk and cookies for you.

Love, Paxton English 1st grade 7 years old

Dear Santa.

Can I please have a Barbie dream set, new Barbie's, and a Descendants 2 doll (Evie). We are going to make you cookies.

Love, Brilynn Bruce 1st grade 6 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a new megatron and bumble bee action figures, and new movies. I will leave some cookies and milk.

Love, Zack Morris 1st grade 7 years old

Dear Santa.

I want a Paw-Patrol toy Boat. I also want 2 race cars and some clothes. And a sweater for my dog Dinky. A bicycle would be nice. I love you Santa and my brother Caleb might like these things also.

Love, Jacob Curry 1st grade 7 years old

Dear Santa.

I hope you are doing well. I am trying to be a good boy and getting my grades up. For Christmas I would like a Cars 3 movie, Cars 3 garage and Cars 3 Crash Derby, please. I will leave you milk and cookies.

> Love, Brance 1st grade 6 years old

Dear Santa

I have been good. I love Christmas. I love Christmas music. I can't wait for Christmas morning. I would like a remote control car. Pie face game, and a remote control airplane, and new boots. Thank you and merry Christmas Jesus.

Love, Tyson McColley 1st grade 6 years old

Dear Santa,

I would really like a piano so I can practice music. I would like a picture of your best reindeer. I would also love a glittery microphone. Thank you very much.

> Love, Talisa Overbeeke 1st grade 7 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a Baby Alive that crawls, a fancy dress for school, an Elsa scooter, and a table and chair set for tea parties. I also want a pink show pony zoomer, and an Aurora play dress. Thank you for my elf and elf pet.

Emberlynn Reed 1st grade 7 years old

Dear Santa,

DC Super Hero Girl Starfire, Hatchimals collectibles, Water color paint, art stuff, A Jombo candcan, A color chanz pillow. I will leave you some cookies and milk for you.

Love, Elika 1st grade 7 years old

Dear Santa,

I want a hoverboard with a seat for Christmas. I also want a Happy Toy Maker semi with a flatbed trailer and a Bible I can read myself. I would also like a remote controlled John Deere tractor with rubber tires. Hope you and Mrs. Clause are doing well.

Love, Kelby Brownlee 1st grade 7 years old

Dear Santa,

I have been good! Minecraft plushies, hover board, books, and toys.

Love, Ajax Caudle Pre-K 4 years old

Dear Santa,

I promise not to get into any trouble until after Christmas. I would really like to have a guitar and an apron if I can be a good little girl. I will leave you cookies and milk and a note on the coffee table. Thank you Santa.

Love, Carli Jones 1st grade 7 years old

Dear Santa.

I want toys, candy, babies, and a TV. I hope you are doing good.\

Alexis Underwood Head Start 4 years old

Dear Santa.

I hope you and the reindeer are doing well. I will set out a batch of cookies, milk, and carrots for you all. I tried to be good this year. Please bring me twin hatchimals. I love you Santa, have a great Christmas!!!

Love, Nevaeh Jaramillo 1st grade 6 years old

Dear Santa,

Please give me presents. Give me a remote control monster truck.

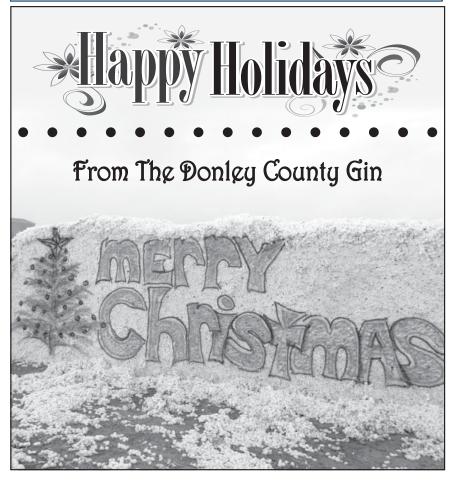
Love, Ruzic Gallegos Head Start 4 years old

At This Season Of Giving

We'd like to give you our well wishes for a happy and healthy holiday season. We feel deeply honored to have your friendship and trust. Thanks!



- Mike's Pharmacy



I want a talking dreamhouse and I want a spirit horse that talks, you push the button. And I want a Barbie horse and Barbie, the horse moves front words and backwards and side to side. A Scrap book of horses and barbies. I have been really really really really really really really good this year. I love you Santa. Don't forget the other children.

> Joanna McElroy 1st grade 6 years old

Dear Santa,

Can you bring me a paw patrol boat for Christmas? I have tried to be a good boy. I will leave you some milk and cookies on our table. I love you so much Santa!!!

> Kamden Moody **Head Start** 4 years old

Dear Santa.

I want a yo-yo, a toy train named James. He has a big magnet and he is wooden. I want a toy road to play with cars on it. I need a present with police car and police truck. I love police cars and I want it on my road.

> Love, Eli Berry **Head Start** 4 years old

Dear Santa.

This year I would like a pretty pink ballerina tutu, a live size doll house, a kitchen set, some baby dolls, some pretty clothes and lots of dresses! Please Santa Claus! Thank you so

> Love, Amya Grays **Head Start** 4 years old

Dear Santa.

For Christmas I would like to have a Minecraft toy and a bindi toy. I would also like a new water gun. An Olaf toy and a batman Lego toy. Have a good trip to Clarendon to deliver all of our presents.

Love, **Hunter Shields** Head Start 4 years old

Dear Santa.

Hi! I hope you're doing good! Thank you for the postcard! For Christmas I would love Zoomer the robot unicorn, another my life doll so Kara isn't lonely, and the Minnie Mouse that I touch my magic wand and turn bows into flowers. And my kitty said he'd like a new toy and a blue collar but he's scared of feathers so no feathers please. Thanks Santa! I love your reindeers!

> Love. Kami Bartley Pre-K (Head Start) 5 years old

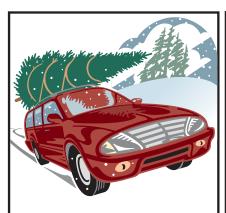


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warm wishes this Christmas season.

Kenny's **Barber Shop**



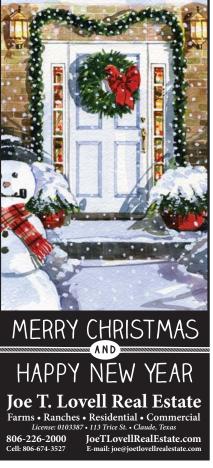


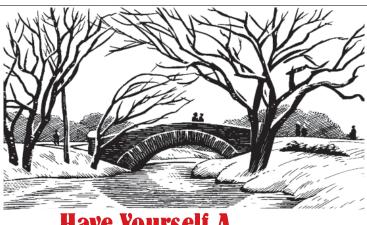
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The City Council and all City Employees.



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I don't want you to come to my house, but give me four wheeler, a dirt bike, and a football. I want a go kart.

> Love, Zy'Quavian Matthews Head Start 4 years old

Dear Santa,

I have been a good boy this year. I can't wait for Christmas. Can you bring a PJ maske Geikko, a Dusty Airplane. a cat boy car, and a baby for my sisters Hazel bug.

Jack Dechenaux Head Start 4 years old

Dear Santa.

Please you give me another tablet. Thank you Santa for another tablet. Get Alix a toy from you Santa Clause. Get us some more ornaments for our Christmas tree. Get Addie a toy please. Get momma a parent sharp knife. Get Daddy a new gun. Thank you Santa Clause

Love, Kensler Roberts Head Start 4 years old

Dear Santa.

For Christmas I want dolls and diapers for my dolls. I want barbies and little kids for my barbies. I also want a new dollhouse and I want a toy car for my dolls. I will leave you some milk and cookies on the bar for when you stop by.

I also want a tablet and slime and play doh.

Love, Kinsleigh Thomas Head Start 4 years old

Dear Santa,

I've been good this year. I would like a new trampoline, a new kid table, light sword, a Christmas deer, Christmas PJs, and a new toy. I'll leave you some cookies and milk!

Love, Adrian Martin Head Start 4 years old

Dear Santa.

What I want for Christmas is a new pair of shoes, paw patrol toys, maybe a TV for my sisters and I to share. I would really like some legos, and a fire truck.

Love, Dacen King Head Start 5 years old

Dear Santa,

Hi, I'm JJ and for Christmas I want legos, the tiny one's to build with, lots of cars and trucks, and it would also be nice to have a remote control big truck. Thank you Santa I know I'll get it all.

Love, Jai'Toryian Head Start, 4 years old

Dear Santa,

I want to see my Papa Joe, I want a blue walking dinosaur, I want Daddy Kyle to know I love him. I want a phone. I want my mommy and daddy to know I love them and God, too. I want two Paw Patrols and a huge fidget spinner. I want a picture of mommy, daddy Kyle, bubba, Daddy and sister too. And I want an XBOX and a robot vacuum and to tell God thank you for my family!

Love, Jase Ritchie Pre-K 4 years old

Dear Santa,

I've been good this year! I would really like a New Transformer! Also maybe some new socks. If you could please bring a dump truck for my little brother? He's been good most of the time.

Jacob Wolfe Pre-K 6 years old

Dear Santa.

I want LOL surprise dolls and mashems. I also want a few boy Barbie dolls and clothes for my barbies. A few shopkins blind bags and one shopkins chef club jar. I'm thankful for whatever I get, it doesn't matter what you get me!

Love, Laityn Hanks Kindergarten 5 years old

Dear Santa,

I've been really good boy. I'm not kidding. I love my mommy and my whole entire family so I think I should get a mickey mouse toy set, Spiderman toy and a super hero SpongeBob, a sonic toy set, a pool, a P.J. mask and a SpongeBob house set, and a Paw Patrol toy. Thank you for all the toys last year I promise I'll be good every Christmas.

Love, Conner Holt Kindergarten 5 years old

Dear Santa.

I'm so excited for Christmas this year! It's going to be a good one. For Christmas I want a motorcycle that's blue, a red knife, a robot horse, an animal egg with a dragon in it, new toy horses, a lead rope with a halter, a toy cowboy, a house for my toy cowboys, Lego's, video game, toy rodeo set.

Love, Colton Henson Kindergarten 5 years old

Dear Santa.

I love you Santa I hope you are good. I would like to ask you to bring mom and dad something nice because they are the best parents and bring my Brother Vincent and sister Madison something too even when they are mean to me a lot. I want a dirtbike, xbox 1, Iphone 6, Trampoline or any cool fun toys you have in mind. I liked everything last year.

I want my stocking to be full of candy and fun toys please. Also Santa I feel bad for people with no house or food if you can bring them stuff too. My mom helped me write Santa because I'm still learning.

> Love you, Jr. Carlos Vaquer Kindergarten 6 years old

Dear Santa,

My name is Datai'Shiana Williams I am 5 years old I have been very good, this year. Some of the things I did were, listen to my momma, do my chores, and share my things with my friends. My Christmas list is toy motorcycle, play phone, and a baby doll/stroller.

Love, Datai'Shiana Williams Kindergarten 5 years old

Dear Santa,

I have been very good this year. I am ready for Christmas. I would like a Paw Patrol Air Patrol, some new hot wheel cars, Army tanks and men, and the game Pop the Pig. My sister, Kinze, has also been a good girl this year. Could you bring her a doll and a pink tractor? Have a safe trip to Clarendon! We will leave out some milk and cookies.

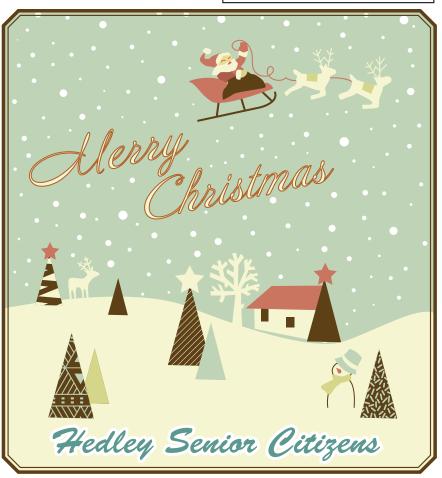
Love, Kase Zongker Kindergarten 5 years old



ALL THE BEST!

You deserve it! Thanks, Friends!

HUNT NO MORE STORAGE 874-2631



May I please have a Mermaid book, and a Nutcracker toy.

> Love. Kassie Askew Kindergarten 5 years old

Dear Santa,

This year for Christmas I would love to have Barbie's and a Barbie Dream House. I also want play makeup, a White Tiger Dream Catcher. If you can I really want Cherry Blossom Perfume, a Pink Remote Control Car, and a White Tiger Blanket.

Love, Scarlett McInturf Kindergarten 6 years old

Dear Santa.

I would want all the monster high dolls. That's it.

> Love, Adalynn Murray **Head Start** 4 years old

Dear Santa.

For Christmas I want a real dinosaur and a bia blue truck to drive.

> Love. Dalton Lee Kindergarten 5 years old

Dear Santa.

I want a drone that comes with a camera. I also want some binoculars so I can see far away. I also want that toy gun that comes with a knife. Can you please bring me a bow and arrow? Some new shoes would be nice. I also want more coloring stuff for my art board. Please.

Love. Rylan Taylor Kindergarten 6 years old

Dear Santa.

I have been working really hard to be good! I would like for you to bring me a big airplane and a fighter jet. I would also like some army men. Thank you for coming to my house every year! I will leave you some milk and cookies.

Love. Haidyn Hill Kindergarten 6 years old

Dear Santa.

My name is Ryder and I am 5 years old. I have been a good boy this year. For Christmas will you please bring me a blue bike, a new scooter, a new game to play with my family and a new bed for my dog. Thank you for coming to see me and please put me on the nice list. I'll leave you milk and cookies.

> Love. Ryder Drackley Kindergarten 5 years old



As we celebrate the birth of our Savior, we're reminded of the many blessings we enjoy, including the opportunity to serve good people like you. Merry Christmas and many thanks for your generous support all year long.











WITH THANKS

From Our Entire Staff AT CHRISTMAS

As we wrap up yet another year, we'd like to acknowledge all the individuals — customers, neighbors, associates, and friends, who have made doing business here such a pleasure for us.

Please accept our sincere gratitude and best wishes for a healthy and happy holiday season.

You're always welcome here, and we look forward to the privilege of serving you again soon.



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I would like a unicorn for Christmas. Also, can you bring me toy farm animals. We will leave out milk and cookies again for you. Be safe.

Clara W. Kindergarten 5 years old

Dear Santa,

I would like Legos cars, Lego's anything Minecraft, a remote control motorcycle, hot wheels race car track, arts and crafts, clothes, socks, underwear, and for everyone to be happy, also bless Jesus.

P.S. Add a football

Anonymous

Dear Santa.

How are you feeling? Santa, I love you. I'm thankful for you. Can I please have some more Nerf bullets? Santa, thank you for all these presents. Thank you for all the elves in the whole wide city. Can I please get more video games?

Love, Breck Lemons Kindergarten 5 years old

Dear Santa.

I want for Christmas, my own earrings. I have been good. I would also like a bracelet like my moms and a little tv for mine and sissy's room. My little brother has been good. Please bring him some tools. Merry Christmas, Santa!

Love, Kennadi Gaither Kindergarten 6 years old

Dear Santa.

How are you? I hope you fly safe Santa. What I want for Christmas is 4 fidget spinners one called the phoenix, one that looks like rectangles, one with a dollar sign, and one

that looks like a wheel. I would also like a blue bike that says turbo on the side and a bow and arrow with a target set. I will try and leave you some milk and cookies.

Sincerely your best friend, Matthew Rodriguez 4th Grade Hedley

Dear Santa.

I would like bouncy balls, new shoes, new shirts, and new pants. I want Santa to bring me a rainbow tent for me and Kinley. I want my own flowers for my room and I want my own playhouse to play in.

Love, Hazeley Kindergarten 5 years old

Dear Santa,

I've been a very good kid the whole year. So can you? Bring me a remote control car and my mom a car so we can go to the movies. A xBox 360, a new pair of shoe Jordans, a football, and a cell phone.

Jaequan Weatherton Kindergarten 6 years old

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the gifts. Can I have a robot dinosaur. You shine like a diamond in the sky. I love you. I want a elf. Please. Merry Christmas.

Jaquadon Ballard

Dear Santa,

My name is Ja'Leiyah Moore. I am 6 years old. I have been very good this year. I am proud of myself because, my grades are getting better in school I've been doing my chores at home, and be nice to my friends. My Christmas list is bab doll, shoes, and dollhouse!

Love, Ja'Leiyah Moore Kindergarten, 6 years old



Dear Santa.

I have been a very good boy this year. This year I would like a John Deere combine, a big choo choo train and anything Spiderman! I hope your elves are doing good. I will leave you cookies and milk by the tree. Have a safe trip Santa!

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Hunter Wann Pre-K 5 years old

Dear Santa.

I have tried really really hard to be a good boy this year. For Christmas I want a Big Kid Bike, Ant Man & Iron Man. Thank you and you can leave something for my sister Alexis and my brother Coltyn.

> Xander Knight Phillips Kindergarten, 5 years old

Dear Santa,

I have been good this year. All I want is a holiday Barbie.

Love, Micah Quinlan Pre-K 4 years old

Dear Santa,

I would like a bow and arrow, a kazoo and a guitar. I would like a picture of your best Elf. I have been a great bucket-filler this year! Thank you!

> Love, Isla Overbeeke 5 ¾ years old

Dear Santa,

I want a bicycle with a kickstand. I want a brand new pool that is mine and small. I also want a new winter jacket with a hoodie. I want a new door for my Grandma and Pawpaw because theirs is broken. And a new shirt.

That's all

Love, Cameron Taylor Pre-K 4 years old

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like a Hatching Surprise, a Barbie Dreamhouse, and a Jojo Siwa Bow Maker. I have been saying my prayers and am thankful for you Santa. I also sometimes tell my brother and sisters I love them. If you want you can get me more presents than I asked for. Thank you.

Love, Emma Christopher Kindergarten 6 years old

Dear Santa,

I've been a very good princess this year. I would like anything pink, necklaces, bracelets, and ear rings. My brother and I will leave you milk and cookies. Thank you!

Love, Brooklyn 3 years old



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The hanging of Christmas stockings is a tradition with an extensive history. Several legends attribute the hanging of stockings to different people or events.

Christmas stockings around the world

Just when the excitement of opening presents abates after the last of the packages under the Christmas tree have been torn open, children and adults alike may discover that there are more treats to be had nestled inside of stockings hung on the mantle.

The hanging of Christmas stockings is a tradition with an extensive history. Several legends attribute the hanging of stockings to different people or events. Here is a look at some of the stories that have made Christmas stockings so popular.

St. Nicholas Day

Rather than hanging stockings on Christmas, many countries celebrate Saint Nicholas Day on December 6, and this is when stockings are proudly left out for treats. The small, inexpensive trinkets are later unwrapped and enjoyed on Christmas Day.

Italian good witch

One stocking story does not attribute the tradition to Santa, but to a kind-hearted Italian witch named "La Befana." La Befana arrives. on a broomstick the night of January 5 and fills the stockings of good children with sweet treats and toys. Bad children are awarded lumps of coal. La Befana is also credited with being the old woman who the wise men ask for directions to Christ's manger in the Christ child's story. After turning down an offer to

accompany them, La Befana later carried gifts in search of Christ.

Dutch heritage

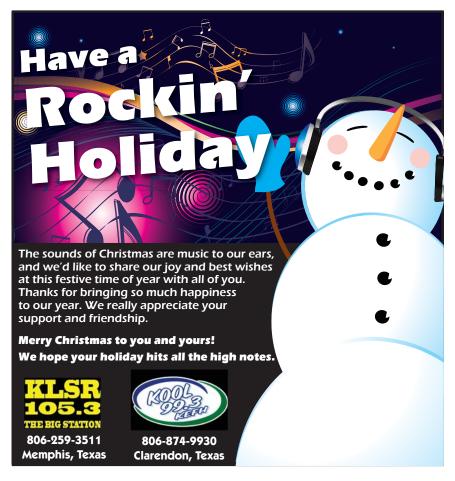
One tradition says that, in 16th century Holland, children kept their clogs filled with straw in front of the hearth for Santa's reindeer to find. They also left treats for Santa Claus. In return, Santa would leave gifts in the clogs. Over time, stockings were swapped out for cloas.

Merchant's family story

A popular tale tells the story of a merchant, his wife and three daughters. After the wife falls ill and dies, the man becomes devastated and squanders all of his wealth on frivolous things to mask his sadness. When it comes time for the daughters to marry, the man does not have money for a dowry. St. Nicholas hears of the plight and knows the man would be too proud to accept charity. Therefore, St. Nicholas anonymously tosses three bags of gold coins down the chimney. The man's daughters had done the laundry prior and left their stockings hanging by the fireplace to dry. The gold landed in the stockings, thus starting the Christmas stocking tradition.

Christmas stockings have become part of holiday traditions, and this beloved tradition has its own unique history.







WITH OUR THANKS FOR YOUR READERSHIP!

We hope the holiday season delivers an abundance of glad tidings to you and your families. We appreciate your loyal support and look forward to your continued readership.

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