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Present 3rd Annual Canstructure Contest

Youth Structure Building Competition
to Fight Hunger

March 7, 2020 – Berkshire Mall
Theme: Inspire Kindness

A community service project that's fun, competitive and educational!



Top 10 Rules

1. All teams are responsible for acquiring food used for their structure.
2. Structures must fit within a 9' x 9' area, and be a maximum of 7' high.
3. There are a maximum of 10 "builders" permitted at any one time to work within the 9' x 9' sculpture area. There can be additional team members working outside of this area during the competition build as long as they do not interrupt other teams. There is no limit to the number of people involved in the planning, logistics and design. No adults will be permitted inside the build areas to assist EXCEPT for the elementary division.
4. The entire canstructure must be built during the hours allotted for "the build." Cans may be pre-wrapped prior to the event.
5. All food used for the canstructure must be unopened, with the majority being canned foods. All labels must remain intact.
6. Structures must be completely self-supporting, with no framework or other structural support. Max ¼" sheets of foam-core, cardboard, plywood or similar material can be used as a leveling device between rows of cans.
7. Canned food may be joined using: tape (masking, scotch), Velcro, fishing line, wire, rubber bands, zip straps etc. Any other method that provides easy demounting is permitted, provided the labels and cans are NOT damaged. NO gluing, heavy duty tape, welding or other permanent affixing of cans allowed. No electricity will be provided.
8. No glass containers, alcohol, pet food, perishable, damaged or open packages of food allowed.
9. Each team must create a poster that explains how their canstructure was designed (structural elements) as well as how it relates to the theme. Poster must include a statistic on food scarcity. At least 2 student representatives must be present at judging time and be able to talk about their structure and hunger issues that affect our community.
10. Each team must clear their work area before judging.



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