



**UNITED WAY**  
Northeastern  
Minnesota

**BUDDY  
BACKPACKS**

**2023-2024  
PROGRAM RESULTS**

**40,700** 

Meal Kits Packed

**1,100** 

Students

**43** 

Schools

**900+** 

Volunteers



**Buddy Backpacks went home with students in the following schools every weekend and holiday break of the 2023-2024 school year:**

Iron Range

**Aurora**

- Mesabi East School
- Pre-School
- Head Start

**Babbitt**

- Northeast Range School
- Head Start

**Cherry**

- Cherry School

**Chisholm**

- Chisholm Elementary
- Chisholm High School
- Vaughan-Steffensrud Elementary School
- Head Start

**Cook/Orr**

- North Woods School

**Culver**

- South Ridge School

**Ely**

- Ely Memorial High School
- Washington Elementary
- Head Start

**Floodwood**

- Floodwood School

**Hibbing**

- Greenhaven Elementary
- Hibbing High School
- Lincoln Elementary
- Washington Elementary
- Head Start

**Mountain Iron**

- East Range Academy
- Mountain Iron-Buhl High School
- Merritt Elementary
- Head Start

**Nashwauk/Keewatin**

- Keewatin Elementary
- Nashwauk High School

**Nett Lake**

- Nett Lake Elementary
- Head Start

**Tower**

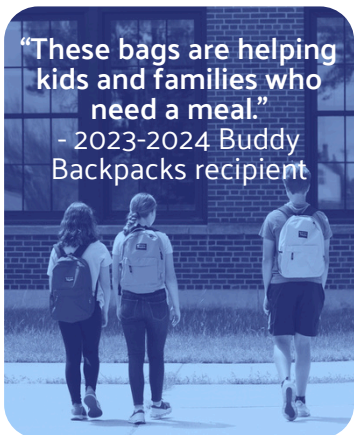
- Tower-Soudan School
- Vermillion Country School

**Virginia/Eveleth/Gilbert (Rock Ridge)**

- Eveleth-Gilbert Secondary
- Laurentian Elementary
- North Star Elementary
- Parkview Elementary
- Virginia Secondary School
- Northland Learning Center
- Head Start

Koochiching County

- International Falls Elementary
- International Falls High School
- KOOTASCA Head Start
- Littlefork Big-Falls School
- Northome School



“These bags are helping kids and families who need a meal.”  
- 2023-2024 Buddy Backpacks recipient



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