



# GOOSE CREEK

## CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

### RSS scavengers collect food for needy

The Sterling High School Ho Ho Ho Scavenger Hunt, the annual food drive benefiting needy local families during the holiday season, brought in more than 5,000 food items on December 3.

"This is always a fun way for Sterling to give back to our community," said Betty Benskin, one of the faculty coordinators of the event.

Sterling High School's Ho Ho Ho Scavenger Hunt pits teams of students in a competition to see which team can gather the most non-perishable food items.

Students have about two hours to go door-to-door in several Baytown neighborhoods collecting canned goods to help stock the shelves of the local food pantry.

The Ho Ho Ho Scavenger Hunt has been a tradition at Sterling for more than two decades.

Each team, which consisted of six to eight students and a driver, was assigned a neighborhood in which to "scavenge" for food items.

All the items collected are donated to the Baytown Food Bank for distribution during the holiday season.

Twenty teams, consisting of students, teachers, parents and even grandparents, participated in the event. Sterling student Taylor Kurbad, a member of the team called "Santa's Helpers," which earned the best-dressed award, said, "All the people were so sweet and very generous with their donations."



Sterling High School students sort out some of the food items collected Dec. 3 during the school's Ho Ho Ho Scavenger Hunt, the annual food drive benefiting needy local families. From left are members of the "Can Burglars" team – J. Ryan Townsend, Brady Sutton, Trevor Brown, Harrison Foster, Tyler Fadal and Justin Wallace.

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Afterward, the scavenger hunters enjoyed pizza, cookies and drinks provided by San Jacinto Methodist Hospital, the school's Partners in Education through the Baytown Chamber of Commerce.

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