National Honors Society members, left to right, Jack McGraw, Logan Bischoff and Tayler Nordhausen display some of the food collected in the National Honor Society food drive. A total of 485 cans were collected in the drive.

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The Wauneta Breeze

The holiday season brings with it good tidings and makes for a wonderful time to give back to the community.

Members of the Frenchman Valley National Honor Society at Wauneta-Palisade Public Schools planned and coordinated a food drive titled, “CAN Fight Hunger,” which ended Friday, Dec. 21, the last day of school before the holiday break.

The food drive was open to the entire school, pre-kindergarten through seniors. NHS members encouraged all grades to participate and even encouraged “grade wars” to see which class

could round up the most food to be donated.

Students who contributed to the drive were rewarded with a lollypop or “tootsie roll” sucker at the office when they dropped off their donated goods.

The grade who collects the most food will be rewarded with an additional incentive. W-P administration encouraged classes to suggest what that incentive might be.

The food items gathered through the event will be distributed to the Chase County Food Pantry in Imperial and the Hitchcock County Food Pantry in Culbertson.

Due to the snow storm, food items will not be distributed to the two food pantries until after the winter break.

Therefore, students or the public can still make contributions to the drive by dropping nonperishable food items off at the school office in Wauneta or Palisade.

As of Friday, Dec. 21 485 cans of food have been collected, totaling approximately 363 pounds. Food contributions by class is as follows:

Pre-K, 6 cans; Kindergarten,13 cans; first grade, 12 cans; second grade, 50 cans; third grade, 96 cans; fourth grade, 18 cans; fifth grade, 0 cans; sixth grade, 94 cans; seventh grade, 37 cans; eighth grade, 2 cans; freshmen, 6 cans; sophomores, 31 cans; juniors, 11 cans; and seniors, 109 cans.