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Epiphany School to Volunteer at New Bern Food Bank

NEW BERN, N.C. (August 22, 2012) – As schools open their doors for a new year, a group of local students will kick off their year by giving back. The Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina at New Bern will host students from the Epiphany School on Thursday, August 23 for their day of service.

Epiphany School students have been supporting the New Bern Branch since it opened on 205 S. Glenburnie Road in 2010. Students from the school have participated in several group volunteer opportunities at the New Bern Branch. They also donated more than 300 pounds of food during the Hurricane Irene disaster relief efforts in September 2011.

The students will volunteer from 8:30am-1:30pm and will be sorting and repackaging eggs for distribution to partner agencies such as food pantries, soup kitchens, and shelters.

Photo: The Epiphany School donates to Hurricane Irene disaster relief at the Food Bank's New Bern Branch.

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<u>About the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina</u>
The Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina is a nonprofit organization that has provided food for people at risk of hunger in 34 counties in central and eastern North Carolina for more than 30 years. The Food Bank serves a network of more than 900 partner agencies such as soup kitchens, food pantries, shelters, and programs for children and adults through warehouses in Durham, Greenville, New Bern, Raleigh, the Sandhills (Southern Pines), and Wilmington. In fiscal year 2011-2012, the Food Bank distributed nearly 45 million pounds of food and non-food essentials through these agencies. Sadly, hunger remains a serious problem in central and eastern North Carolina. In these counties, more than 560,000 struggle each day to provide enough food for their families. www.foodbankcenc.org.

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