

## North Hills Prep Community Service Fall Project

The students at NHP have joined hands with tens of thousands of other school children around the world who share the vision and dedication to empower communities through education in remote areas of Pakistan and Afghanistan. NHP students are embarking on a Pennies for Peace campaign to broaden their cultural horizons and become members of a global family dedicated to peace.

How can a penny bring peace? It doesn't buy much in Irving. But in the villages of Pakistan and Afghanistan, it can buy a pencil, start an education, and transform a life. In a region where terrorist organizations recruit uneducated, illiterate children, that pencil can empower a child to read, write, and learn. The Pennies for Peace program goal is to encourage children, who are ultimately our future leaders, to learn the value of philanthropy by collecting pennies for global peace.

NHP students will have an opportunity to study the cultures of Afghanistan and Pakistan, learn to work and share together in their Peace for Peace campaign, and come to understand their own capacity as philanthropists – one penny at a time.

We are placing containers for pennies in each classroom for students to contribute their pennies. (We ask that the teacher put the container in their desk at the end of the day. The community service students will collect this **change the first three Wednesdays of December** and convert the money to a check to be sent to the Pennies for Peace project.

The pennies that NHP students collect can add up to make a real difference.

1 penny = a pencil

2-3 pennies = an eraser

15 pennies = one notebook

\$20 = one child's school supplies for one year

\$50 = one treadle sewing machine and supplies

\$100 = maternal healthcare supplies for one year

\$300 = one advanced student's annual scholarship

\$600 = one teacher's annual salary

\$5,000 = support for existing school for one year

\$50,000 = one school building and support for up to five years

Children in over 400 mountain villages in remote northern Pakistan and Afghanistan are on the waiting list, hoping to learn in a new school. NHP students hope to help build a bridge of peace, one penny at a time, offering alternatives to the cycle of terrorism and war.

NHP Community Service Students