

A Testimonial

To All Those at Crayons to Classrooms, Dayton,

A Cincinnati by birth, I knew of the great benefit provided by Computers to Classrooms in the Greater Cincinnati area. I have been anticipating the opening of the same type of "store" here in Dayton for a long time. I even e-mailed your Mr. Rubenstein to "beg" for a way for the Dayton Public Schools to be able to benefit from such a terrific opportunity.

But, alas, even begging didn't work! However, Mr. Rubenstein did inform me that soon the C2C movement would be opening a store in Dayton.

Our school, Fairview Elementary, shopped for the first time shortly before Christmas, 2009. It was truly a "loaves and fishes" day! Never, and I mean never, had any of us been gifted with such bounty! Our carts were literally stuffed! I estimated that the value of what I took back to school was between \$500 and \$600. The variety of goods was incredible!

However, the true blessing of it all was on the day before Christmas break. I teach 55 immigrant and refugee students from all over the world to speak English. Their situations verge on desperate, and all of the children in this school are in the Free and Reduced Lunch (and Breakfast) Program.

Through your generosity and that of your donors, we were able to provide each child, my students and many others, with 3 items of his/her own choice as gifts to take home. To many children these supplies are probably throwaways, but not to our kids! Every item choice was a serious decision, and many took things as gifts for siblings and parents.

So, when you are worrying about the details of your mission, please know that many, many children have gone home from Fairview with major smiles and appreciation for "the little things" you provided.

With deep gratitude,
Sally Hahn