

**Providing Education, Careers & Lifelong Community for Children and Adults with Special Needs  
ECLC—Celebrating More Than 50 Years of Excellence**

*Please visit our website at [www.eclcofnj.org/](http://www.eclcofnj.org/) for more information about our school and for ways you can help.  
Review our Parent-Student Handbook at <http://www.eclcofnj.org/downloads/2024-2025-handbook-hohokus.pdf>  
Weekly Newsletter – September 20, 2024*

## Welcoming Ceremony Brings Recognition of New Students and New Staff



### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**Thursday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> – SCHOOL CLOSED For Rosh Hashanah**

**Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup> – ECLC Walkathon!**

**Thursday, October 24<sup>th</sup> – Picture Day!**

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## Students Learn Social Skills by Playing Games



## In SKIL, Students Learn to Find Items in the Supermarket by Locating Them on the Proper Shelves



# Walkathon 2024

Sunday  
October 20  
9:45am  
Verona Park



JOIN US

Register online:  
[www.eclcofnj.org/walk](http://www.eclcofnj.org/walk)  
or  
Scan the QR Code



Your  
photo  
here



## Rain or Shine

**Verona Park:** Bloomfield Avenue and Lakeside Avenue, Verona, NJ 07044  
**9:45 a.m.** - Check in/Registration  
**10:30 a.m.** - Opening Ceremonies & Remarks  
**10:45 a.m.** - Walk begins

### You can:

- Create a Team
- Register to Walk
- Volunteer
- Make a Donation



### There will be:

- Music
- Prizes
- Snacks
- Friends and FUN



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Questions?  
Scan the QR code for more information  
or contact us:

973-601-5114

[www.eclcofnj.org](http://www.eclcofnj.org)

# ECLC Foundation Annual Walkathon

Sunday, October 20, 2024

*Benefiting ECLC Schools, CPS & PRIDE*

**All of our students, adult clients, alumni, families, staff and friends are invited to show their support for ECLC, CPS and PRIDE at our annual organization-wide walkathon!**

## Where is the Walkathon?

**NEW LOCATION FOR 2024:** Verona Park, Bloomfield Avenue and Lakeside Avenue, Verona, NJ 07044

## What time does it start?

Check-in begins at 9:45am. Opening Ceremony is at 10:30am, followed by the walk.

## How long is the walk?

It is a 1.2-mile loop through beautiful Verona Park.

## About the walkathon:

Join staff and families from our schools, our alumni program participants, our supported employment and support coordination programs offered by CPS, and our PRIDE day and evening programs. ECLC now serves over 900 children and adults from throughout New Jersey. This organization-wide event is a great opportunity for all of our ECLC families, friends, and staff to meet and enjoy the day together while showing support for our programs. You can also form your own team to walk together!

## How much does it cost?

It is \$20 per person for walkers ages 5 and up and free for children under 5. Each paid registration fee includes t-shirt, snacks, music, and a great day out with friends and family! Since this is a fund-raiser, we also encourage you to get your friends, relatives, co-workers and neighbors to support your efforts by making a donation or pledge for your efforts

## Are sponsorships available?

Yes! Individuals or businesses can sponsor your efforts or they can register as an official Walk Sponsor and receive recognition at the event, our website and other promotional materials. For information on sponsorship, go to [www.eclcofnj.org/walk](http://www.eclcofnj.org/walk) or contact Roberta Bitar: [rbitar@eclcofnj.org](mailto:rbitar@eclcofnj.org) 973-601-5114.

## Are donations tax-deductible?

Yes, ECLC is a registered 501(c)(3) so all donations are tax-deductible.

## What do I need to do?

Complete the attached registration form and return it at ECLC, PRIDE or CPS, or mail it to the address on the form. Then start collecting pledges! (See the attached pledge form). You can also register online and create your own fundraising page [www.eclcofnj.org/walk](http://www.eclcofnj.org/walk)

## How can people donate?

Online at the website link above, or for cash or checks (payable to ECLC Foundation), they can give donations directly to you or mail to: **ECLC 2024 Walkathon, 100 Passaic Ave., Suite I, Chatham, NJ 07928**

## Can family and friends attend?

Yes!!! Family and friends are absolutely encouraged to come and walk!



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For more information, to register, sponsor, or donate, scan below:



# ECLC Foundation 2024 Walkathon

## Sponsor & Registration Form

ECLC Foundation Walkathon ~ Sunday, October 20, 2024 ~ Verona Park, Verona, NJ

**Sign me up as a Sponsor!** See attached sponsorship benefits, or visit [www.eclcofnj.org/walk](http://www.eclcofnj.org/walk)

Sponsor Name (If a business, please provide contact name and title)

Contact

Address

Phone

Email

\$2,500 Gold Starter Sponsor

\$1,000 Silver Sponsor

\$500 Bronze Sponsor

\$250 Community Sponsor

\$100 Vendor Table

In-Kind Sponsor: Value: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

In-Kind donation description

**Please register me to walk!**

Walkers age 5 and up (includes t-shirt\*) # \_\_\_\_\_ x \$20 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Walkers under age 5 \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_ x \$0 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$0

Additional Donation(s) Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

My Fundraising Goal: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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**Prizes awarded to the top 3 fundraisers!**

**Print names of each registered walker (to register additional walkers write on back of form)**

**\*Each paid registered walker, 5 and up, receives a t-shirt —Shirt sizes are not guaranteed if registered after 10/09/24.**

Available T-shirt sizes: Youth M, Adult S, Adult M, Adult L, Adult XL, and Adult XXL

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

I do not wish to participate as a sponsor or walker, but have enclosed a contribution of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_  Donate on-line at [www.eclcofnj.org/walk](http://www.eclcofnj.org/walk)

Check payable to **ECLC Foundation**. Mail to ECLC 2024 Walkathon, 100 Passaic Ave., Ste. 1, Chatham, NJ 07928

Credit card payment - complete ALL info. below:

Credit Card #

Exp. Date

Name on Card

Email Address

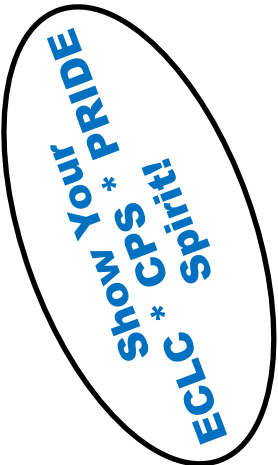
Signature

Credit Card Billing Address with Zip Code

Contact Information: Roberta Bitar (rbitar@eclcofnj.org) 973.601.5114 [www.eclcofnj.org/walk](http://www.eclcofnj.org/walk)  
ECLC is a registered 501(c)(3) EIN#22-3280013



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# ECLC 10/20/2024 Walkathon Pledge Sheet

Create your own fundraising page to share on-line with friends & family at [www.eclofnj.org/walk](http://www.eclofnj.org/walk) or use this form to keep track of pledges you collect

*Prizes awarded to the top 3 fundraisers!*

Participant Info: Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

DONOR NAME	MAILING ADDRESS	E-MAIL	AMOUNT	PAID (CASH, CHECK, OR ONLINE)
<b>Total Collected</b>				

Checks payable to ECLC Foundation. Pay on-line via credit card [www.eclofnj.org/walk](http://www.eclofnj.org/walk)  
*All donations are tax-deductible*

Bring your pledges with you to the Walk or mail to: ECLC Foundation Walkathon, 100 Passaic Ave., Suite I, Chatham, NJ 07928



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# ECLC Foundation 2024 Walkathon

Sunday, October 20, 2024  
Verona Park – Verona, NJ

## Sponsorship Opportunities

### **Gold Starter Sponsor: \$2,500**

Recognition as Gold Sponsor and speaking opportunity for a company representative at Opening Ceremony  
Company name/logo printed on Start/Finish Line Banner\*  
Company name/logo printed on the back of all event T-shirts\*  
Company name/logo printed on Sponsor Board and event page of ECLC website\*  
Recognition in ECLC media releases with opportunities for quotes from a company representative  
Recognition in ECLC electronic newsletters and e-mail blasts  
Table at the start/finish area for display and distribution of your promotional materials  
Includes walker registration and walk t-shirts for up to 10 team members

### **Silver Sponsor: \$1,000**

Company name/logo printed on the back of all event T-shirts\*  
Company name/logo printed on Sponsor Board and event page of ECLC website\*  
Recognition in ECLC media releases, electronic newsletters and e-mail blasts  
Table at the start/finish area for display and distribution of your promotional materials  
Includes walker registration and walk t-shirts for up to 5 team members

### **Bronze Sponsor: \$500**

Company name/logo printed on Sponsor Board and event page of ECLC website\*  
Recognition in ECLC electronic newsletters and e-mail blasts  
Table at the start/finish area for display and distribution of your promotional materials  
Includes 2 walker registrations and walk t-shirts

### **Community Sponsor: \$250**

Company name/logo printed on Sponsor Board and event page of ECLC website\*  
Table at the start/finish area for display and distribution of your promotional materials

### **Vendor Table: \$100**

Table at event to promote your organization/products

### **In-Kind Sponsor (Donation of goods or services):**

Company name/logo printed on Sponsor Board and event page of ECLC website\*  
Recognition in ECLC media releases, electronic newsletters and e-mail blasts

### **Register to Walk: \$20 per person ages 5 and up. Five and under are free.**

Each paid registration fee includes t-shirt, snacks, music, and a great day out in the park!

*\*Logo formats: jpeg or pdf. T-shirt logos must be in single color. Art must be emailed to Roberta Bitar (rbitar@eclcofnj.org) by 10/09/24 to be included on t-shirt.*

[www.eclcofnj.org/walk](http://www.eclcofnj.org/walk) ~ 973.601.5114



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# SCHOOL PICTURE DAY



**Thursday**

**October 24, 2024**

**ECLC  
Ho-Ho-Kus New Jersey**

**Please watch for an email  
from  
Rod Bolten Photography**







## **Día de la fotografía escolar**

**Jueves**

**24 de octubre de 2024**



**ECLC**

**Ho-Ho-Kus Nueva Jersey**

**Por favor, esté atento a un  
correo electrónico de  
Rod Bolten Fotografía**



Dear ECLC Parents/Guardians,

We are pleased to invite you to a special Parent Evening Workshop scheduled for **Wednesday, November 20, 2024**, from **6:00 PM to 8:00 PM** in the school auditorium.

This important workshop will be presented by **Melissa Digioia**, and the topic will focus on Puberty and Sexuality.

Melissa Digioia is an experienced educator in this field, and the workshop will provide valuable insights and guidance on how to approach and support you child through these significant developmental stages.

Please note, it is **important to have a minimum of five parents confirmed in order to book the speaker**. To help us plan appropriately, please confirm your attendance by **October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024**. Your timely response is appreciated.

Thank you for your attention, and we look forward to seeing you there!

Gerald Cortorreal

School Social Worker

ECLC of New Jersey  
Ho-Ho-Kus Campus  
[302 North Franklin Turnpike](#)  
[Ho-Ho-Kus NJ 07423](#)  
(201) 670-7880

# Puberty

# Sexuality



**WHEN:**

Wednesday, November  
20, 2024

**WHERE:**

ECLC Ho-Ho-Kus  
302 North Franklin Tnpk.  
Ho-Ho-Kus, NJ 07423

**TIME:**

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

The workshop will provide valuable insights and guidance on how to approach and support your child through these significant developmental stages.

**PRESENTED BY:**

**Melissa Digioia**

Please confirm your attendance by  
**October 1, 2024.**

Call or email

201-670-7880

[MArcaro@eclcofnj.org](mailto:MArcaro@eclcofnj.org)





**Saturday, October 26**

**10 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

**Cost: FREE!**

**140 East Ridgewood Ave., Paramus  
Fourth Floor, North Tower**

**For siblings (ages 6 to 12) of children who have special needs.**

**[Register Now](#)**

Supported by The Joey Center at The Valley Hospital's Kireker Center for Child Development, Sibshops are run by a team of individuals, including a pediatric social worker and certified child life specialist, who understand the impact a child's special needs can have on brothers and sisters.

#### **What to Expect**

- Meet other siblings
- Have fun and laugh!
- Talk about having a sibling with special needs with others who "get it"
- Play great games
- Explore how siblings handle sticky situations sometimes faced by their brothers and sisters
- Learn about the services their siblings receive

Sibshops is held at the Kireker Center for Child Development, located at 140 East Ridgewood Ave., Fourth Floor, North Tower, in Paramus.

This program is **free**.

*If you have any questions or would like to register, please email [joeycenter@valleyhealth.com](mailto:joeycenter@valleyhealth.com). You will be sent a registration release form. Completed release forms need to be returned by October 18. Space is limited.*



## Earn Cash for Our School!

Dear ECLC Parents, Faculty, and Staff,

### Box Tops is BACK!!!

ECLC of Ho-Ho-Kus is back participating in the Box Tops for Education Program. There is no need to buy anything special and nothing to sell. Just look for the Box Tops logo on hundreds of products like Cheerios, Hamburger Helper, and Kleenex. All you need to do is scan your receipt after grocery shopping - each one is worth 10¢ for ECLC. We raised over \$1,000.00 last year from your submissions, but we would like to do much more.

You can learn more about the program; download coupons, shop online and earn even more for ECLC at [www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com)

We can very easily raise over \$1,000 with everyone's help. This is a very easy program that raises money and does not cost the students, parents, or the school any money. Please see the next page for instructions on how to download the app and navigate to scan the product.





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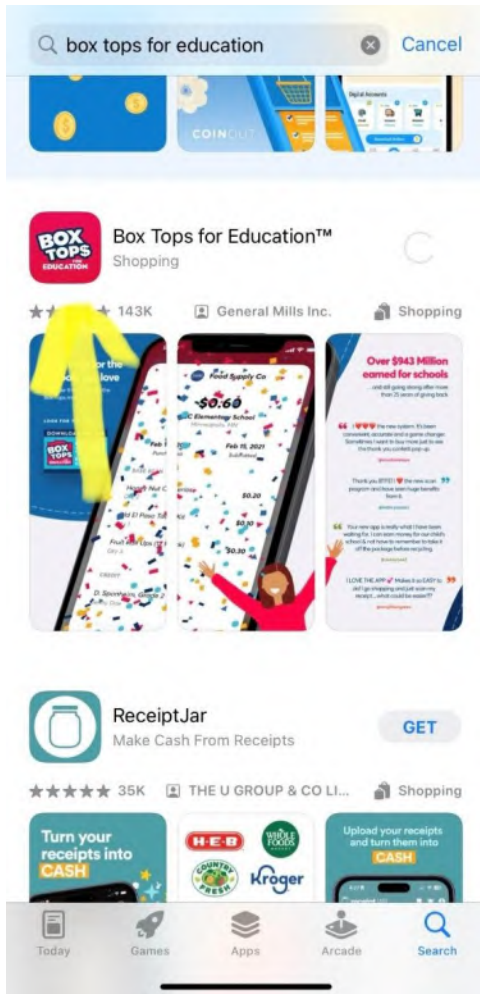
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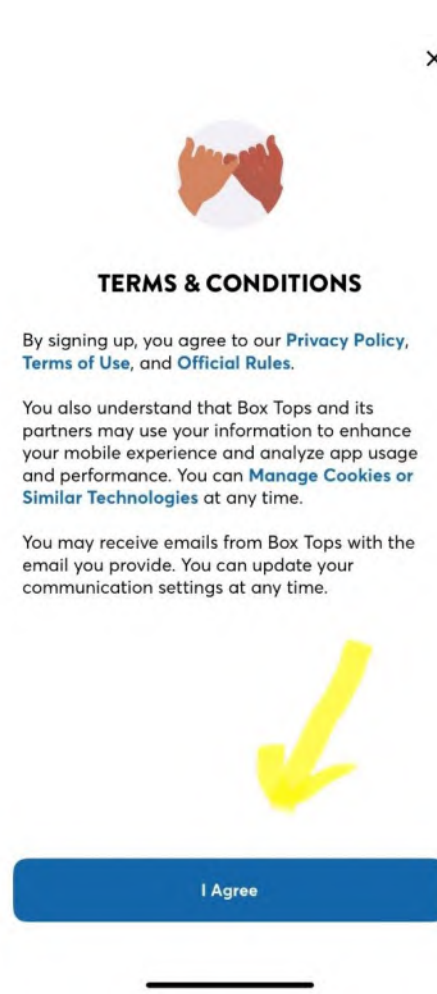
## Box Tops Instructions

### Step 1:



Download the app called "Box Tops for Education"

### Step 2:



Open App and Click on "I agree" Terms & Conditions

### Step 3:



#### FIND A SCHOOL

Before we get started, tell us which school you'd like to support. You can change this at any time in your account settings.

Find a School

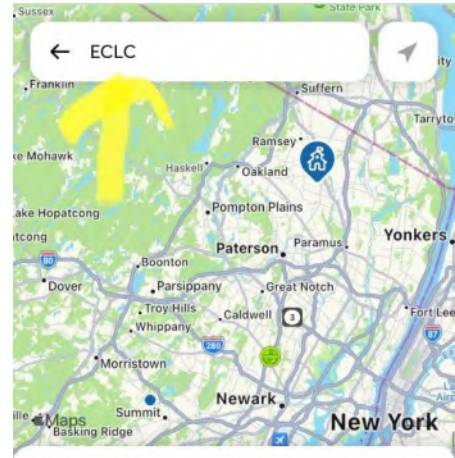
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Find a School In Need

There are some schools that could use a little extra help. Support a Box Tops school in need near you! [Learn more](#)

### Step 4:



#### SCHOOL RESULTS

##### ECLC ELEMENTARY

21 Lum Ave, CHATHAM, NJ 07928

##### ECLC OF NEW JERSEY

302 N. FRANKLIN TURNPIKE, HO-HO-KUS, NJ 07423

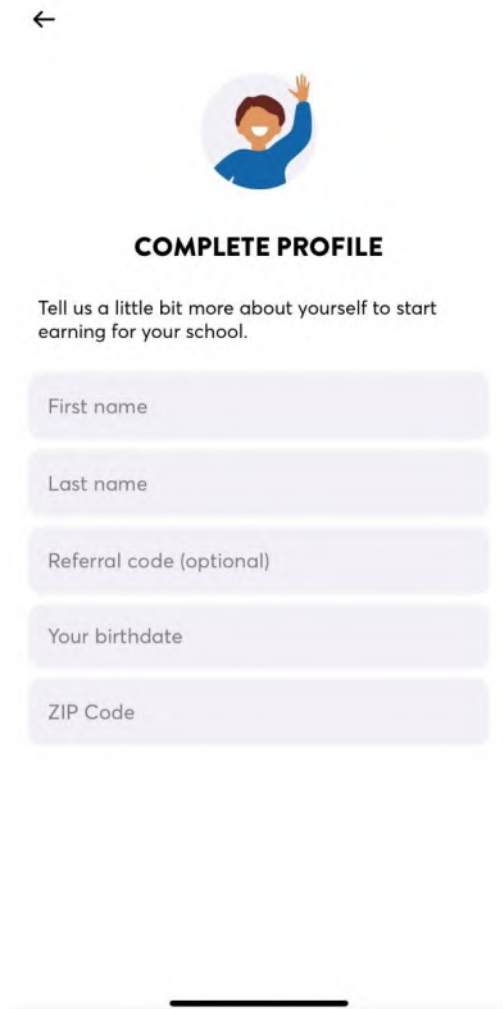
Select School

Click on "Find a School"


Type "ECLC" in the search bar and click in the search bar

Select **ECLC of New Jersey** (302 N. Franklin Turnpike, Ho-Ho-Kus, NJ 07423)

## Step 5:



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### COMPLETE PROFILE

Tell us a little bit more about yourself to start earning for your school.

First name

Last name

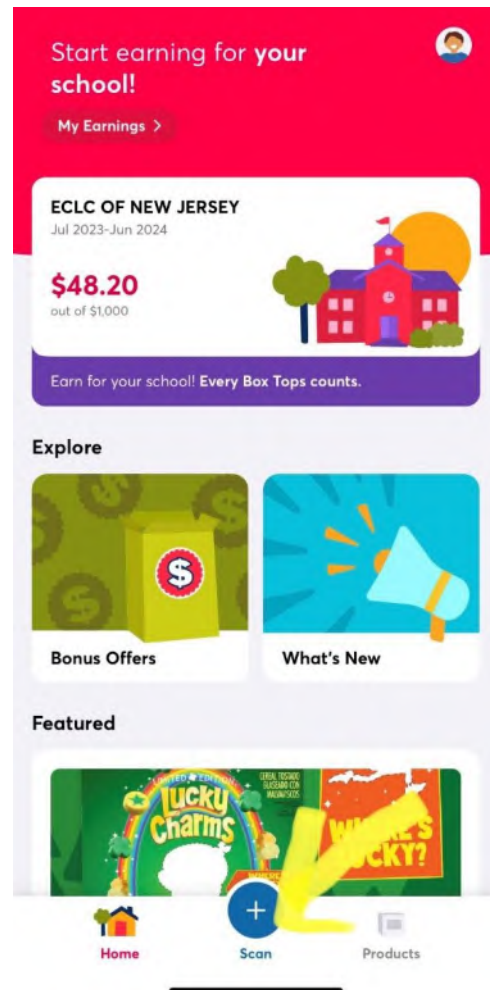
Referral code (optional)

Your birthdate

ZIP Code

Complete Profile

## Step 6:

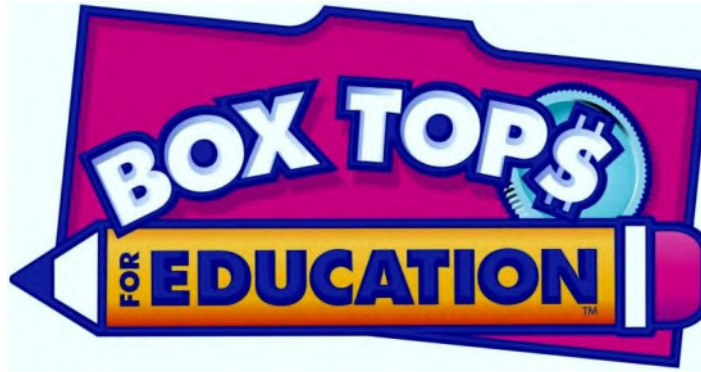


Click on "Scan" and scan Barcode

# Finished!!

[www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com)





¡Gane dinero en efectivo para nuestra escuela!

Queridos Padres, profesores y personal de ECLC,

**iiiBox Tops está de vuelta!!!**

ECLC de Ho-Ho-Kus vuelve a participar en el Programa Box Tops por Educación. No es necesario comprar nada especial ni nada que vender. Simplemente busque el logotipo de Box Tops en cientos de productos como Cheerios, Hamburguesas, Helper y Kleenex. Todo lo que necesita hacer es escanear su recibo después de hacer la compra; cada uno vale 10¢ para la escuela ECLC of Ho-Ho-Kus. Recaudamos más de \$700 el año pasado gracias a sus presentaciones, pero nos gustaría hacer mucho más.

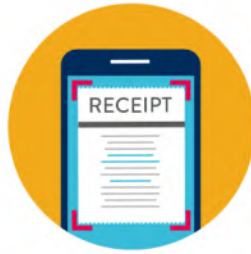
Puedes conocer más sobre el programa visitando la página electrónica que tienes todas las instrucciones. [www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com)

Podemos recaudar muy fácilmente más de \$1,000 con la ayuda de todos. Este es un programa muy sencillo que recauda dinero y no les cuesta dinero a los estudiantes, a los padres ni a la escuela. Consulte la página siguiente para obtener instrucciones sobre cómo descargar la aplicación y navegar para escanear el producto.





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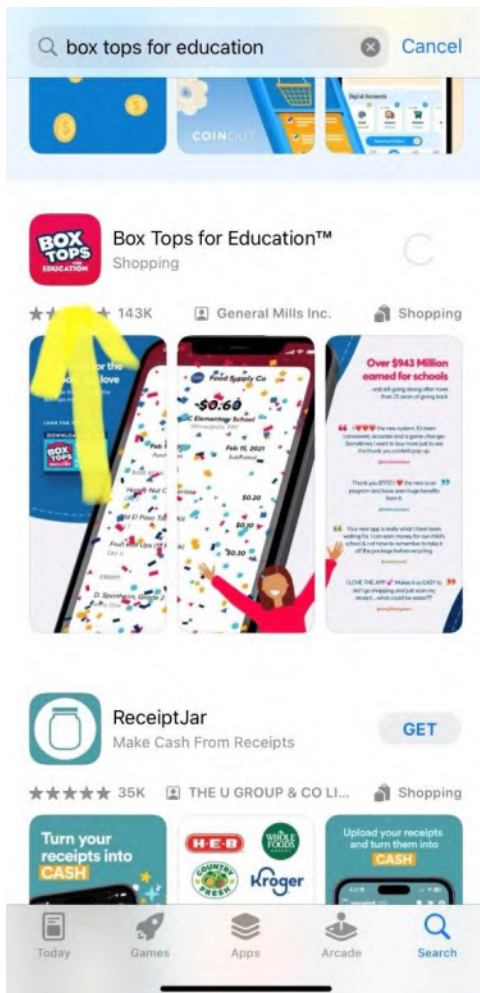
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CASH FOR  
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## Box Tops Instrucciones

### Paso #1:



Descargue la aplicación llamada  
"Box Tops for Education"

### Paso #2:



Abra la aplicación y haga clic en "I Agree"  
Términos y condiciones

### Paso #3:



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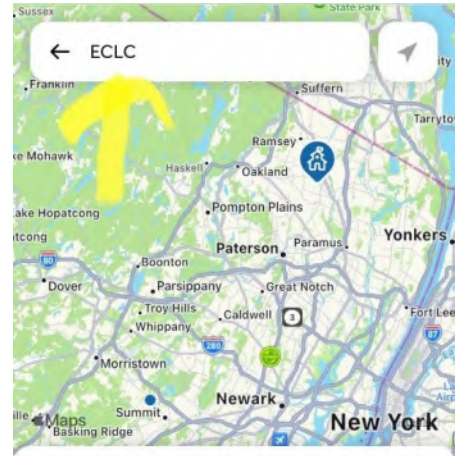
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### Paso #4:



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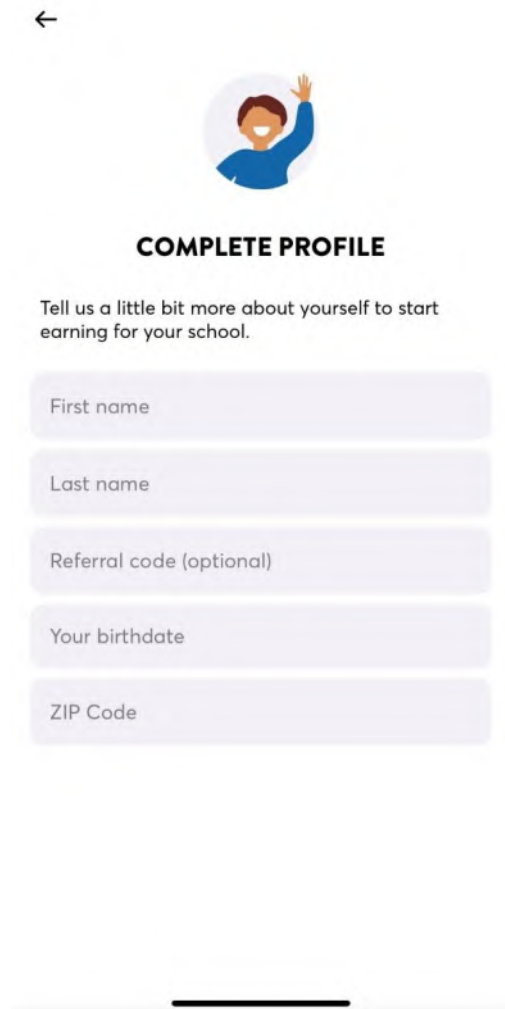
Select School

Dale Click en "Find a School" en la barra de búsqueda.

Escriba "ECLC" en la barra de búsqueda y Seleccione ECLC de Nueva Jersey

(302 N. Franklin Turnpike, Ho-Ho-Kus, NJ 07423)

## Paso #5:



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**COMPLETE PROFILE**

Tell us a little bit more about yourself to start earning for your school.

First name

Last name

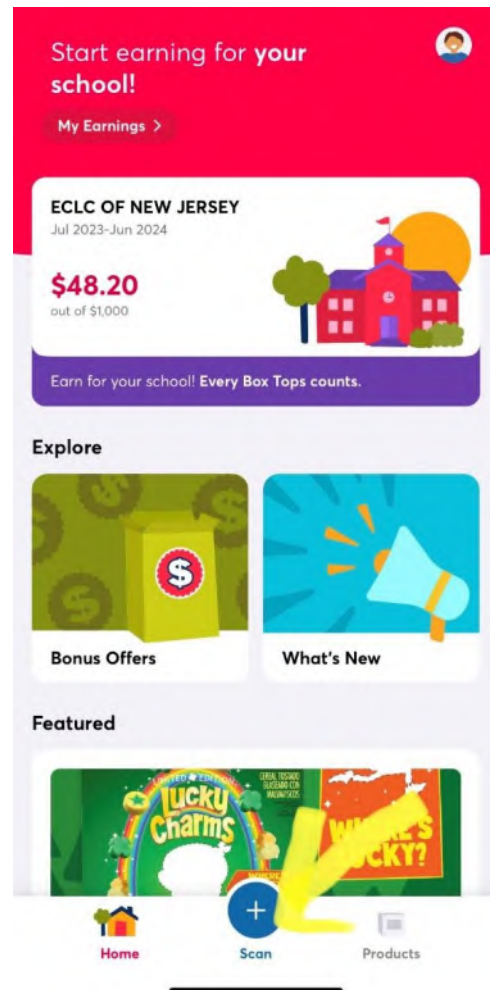
Referral code (optional)

Your birthdate

ZIP Code

Complete el perfil

## Paso #6:



Haga clic en "Scan" y escanee el recibo

# Final!!

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# LUNCHES



WEEK OF: September 30 – October 4

Mon. 9/30

Tues. 10/01

Wed. 10/02

Thurs. 10/03

Fri. 10/04

Pasta with Butter OR Marinara



Butter \_\_\_\_\_  
Marina \_\_\_\_\_

\$6.00

Chicken strips and Fries



\$6.00

PIZZA  
2 Slices



\$6.00



Sandwich on Roll and Chips



Tuna Salad \_\_\_\_OR  
Deli Turkey \_\_\_\_\_

\$6.00

**Check the lunches you would like to order**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Room # \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

**LUNCH ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MONDAY MORNING AT 9:00.**

**PLEASE ATTACH CASH FOR THE ENTIRE WEEK ALONG WITH THIS ORDER FORM.**