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Habitat High volunteers to go door to door

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Students will put high school rivalries aside once again as they team up on Saturday for "Knock and Deliver," a door-to-door campaign in Williamson County to raise \$70,000 for a Habitat for Humanity home.

The actual Habitat High building project involves Brentwood High, Brentwood Academy, Battle Ground Academy, Centennial High, Currey-Ingram Academy, Franklin High, Independence High, Ravenwood High and Summit High. Student groups from the schools plan to build in Fairview's Brandeberg Cove subdivision, which will feature 19 Craftsman-style Habitat homes when completed.

Habitat High began in 2004 as the first such organization in the region.

"This endeavor has been instrumental in helping many of our students to raise the funds in the past and hopefully this year will be another success," says Joanne Hayward, the sponsor from Franklin High School, in a news release announcing Saturday's effort. "We do other things to raise the money but this one really focuses on support from the local community. We are 150 students strong and many have already logged 20 hours in getting the packets ready."

Renee Blankenship, who sponsors the Habitat chapter at Independence High, said she was proud of the cooperation among schools.

"It is a heartwarming event to see dozens of students give of themselves during the cold months of winter to serve a family who will purchase the Habitat home," Blankenship said.

"I am involved because it heartens me to see the different schools working together when often they are competing in athletics and other events."



Students involved in the Habitat High build in Fairview's Brandeberg Cove subdivision represent Brentwood High, Brentwood Academy, Battle Ground Academy, Centennial High, Currey-Ingram Academy, Franklin High, Independence High, Ravenwood High, and Summit High. Habitat High was first organized in 2004. / Submitted