Uplifting Spirits, One Card at a Time!

Card Party Hosting Tips!
The Golden Rule!

• Please make your messages positive!
• Please **DO NOT** write ‘Get Well Soon’ or refer to the children’s current condition
  – We want to help take their minds off their situation, even if only for a moment
• Cards cannot be delivered if they refer to the children’s current health status
NEED IDEAS???

• Despicable Me
  – You’re One in a Minion
• Cat
  – You’re Purrrrrfect
• Turtle
  – You’re Turtley Awesome!
• Piece of Pizza
  – You have a Pizza my heart
• An Owl
  – We OWL Love You
• Balloons
  – Have an Uplifting Day
• Pacman
  – You’re the Chompion
• Hippopotamus
  – Hip Hip Hooray!

For more ideas visit the blog post, *Nope I’m All Set*, www.cardzforkidz.blogspot.com/2013/12/nope-im-all-set.html
Need Cards in Many Languages

• With our current locations in the USA alone, we received requests for cards in 10+ different languages
  • The more we go global, the more languages we’ll need!

• Currently our locations have several children and families that speak these languages:
  • English
  • Spanish
  • Arabic (4 Hospitals/Homes)
  • Russian (3 Hospitals/Homes)
  • Romanian (3 Hospitals/Homes)
  • Somali (3 Hospitals/Homes)
  • Vietnamese (2 Hospitals/Homes)
  • Korean (2 Hospitals/Homes)
  • Chinese - Mandarin (2 Hospitals/Homes)
  • French (2 Hospitals/Homes) – Quebec & Haiti
  • Portuguese (2 Hospital/Home) – Portugal & Brazil
  • Creole (2 Hospital/Home) – Haiti & Florida
  • Polish (1 Hospital) – Illinois
  • Kinyarwandi (1 Home) – Michigan

• If you make a card in a language outside of English or Spanish, please include a post-it or some type of note highlighting what language it is

• FYI – seems like we’re ALWAYS short on cards in Spanish, Arabic and Somali!
Show Us Your Handiwork!

- **Take pictures** during the event
  - People making cards/people posing with their cards
  - A group shot of everyone holding their cards
  - “Top 10” cards from the event

- **Send** your pictures to [makecardzforkidz@gmail.com](mailto:makecardzforkidz@gmail.com)
  - Like us on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com) and be on the lookout for your photos
    - We want you to get the credit for your creations, so if you’re in the picture, tag yourself!

- Please sign your cards (i.e. Your pal Bob, etc.) – It helps to make the cards more personal
Recommended Art Supplies

Must Haves (viewed by most as necessities):
• Markers
• Card Stock
• Glue Sticks
• Scissors

Linear (the more options, the better):
• Glitter Pens
• Crayons
• Color Pencils
• Magazines

Delighters (unexpected, but truly enjoyed):
• Stickers
• Scissors that cut a jagged line
• “Googly” eyes (plastic eyes where the pupil moves)
• Paint/Paint Brushes

So What? (interesting to some, but not all):
• Stencils
• Tape
• Hot Glue Gun
• 3D Stickers

Our ‘Supplies’ link on the How-To page has a link to Amazon for each art supply
Examples of Top Cards
Additional Recognition!

• We’d like to recognize each group who plans to host a couple events on our site, cardzforkidz.org/participants

• All we need is your logo, your group’s name, and your website — 100% free, no strings attached!

• Currently we have global corporations, small businesses, major universities, as well as all types of nonprofits on our site

#EveryCardCounts
Every Card for Every Person Year Round

- Since we work with hospitals/homes in many places, please avoid religious references

- Our locations have a variety of religions so our contacts cannot filter out the cards
  - We cannot promise religious cards will be delivered room to room

- Please make sure all the cards are 100% handmade
  - We cannot deliver decorated store-bought cards

- Since our partners hand deliver the cards room to room, we need to receive packages a month before major holidays
  - For example, Valentine’s Day cards by January 14th; better to just make “Love” cards that don’t refer to the holiday at all
If you’re thinking of hosting an event, please feel free to reach out to us for some more “Insider Information”

- info@cardzforkidz.org

- www.cardzforkidz.org/contact-us
Thanks!