

# BACK TO SCHOOL PROGRAM

The Back to School Program helps underprivileged children from low-income families across Long Island. Children in kindergarten through high school are provided with back to school clothes and school supplies for the school year. Each child receives new clothes to wear including everything from socks and underwear to shirts and pants and new shoes. The supplies will include, but not limited to, backpacks, spiral notebooks, pencils and pens and other classroom necessities.

Back to school time can be difficult for many children whose families cannot afford new clothes or school supplies. Every child should have a chance to attend school and feel good about themselves. Studies have shown that many children do not attend the first day of school because they are too embarrassed that they do not have new supplies and clothing. New clothes and school supplies are all significant items for a child who would otherwise go without.

The children are given a profile page to fill out which will include: their name, age, gender, favorite color, clothing size, shoe size, what their preferences are as far as dresses or pants for girls and sportswear or plain clothes for boys. These children are carefully selected through agencies and centers across Long Island. The distribution takes place in late August or early September before their first day of school.

The children who have benefitted from our donations in the past have made us realize there is a greater need and we are hoping to promote higher self-esteem as these children begin their new school year.

**JOHN THEISSEN**  
CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION



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**23rd Annual**

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## CASINO ROYALE

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To Benefit our New Family Fun Center  
and the 2024 Back to School Program

Try your luck at  
dice, roulette, blackjack and more  
while enjoying  
a gala buffet, music and open bar

**Tons of Prizes Including Trips, Event Tickets & More**

*CASUAL ATTIRE*

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 2024**

**6:00 pm to 11:00 pm**

**The Heritage Club at Bethpage**

**99 Quaker Meeting House Road  
Farmingdale, NY 11735**