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# MEDIA ADVISORY

## **Deserving families to get free Christmas trees**

Northline Commons to 'help brighten the holiday season for children and their families' at Northline Elementary School Dec.10

*December 9, 2008*—As many families trim their trees and adorn them with gifts, the high cost of this holiday tradition is a luxury many struggle to afford. But one Houston shopping center is helping lighten the financial load for some deserving families.

Ten children and their families will get a free Christmas tree from Northline Commons officials at HISD's **Northline Elementary School (821 Witcher, 77076)** on **Wednesday, Dec. 10 at 1:30 p.m.**

"The holidays have a way of sneaking up on many of us, especially when finances are tight," said Rebecca Victor, general manager for Northline Commons. "We're glad to work with Northline Elementary School to help deserving families this season."

School officials nominated students and their families for the special holiday gift from Northline Commons, a new shopping center in north Houston.

"The generous gift from Northline Commons will help brighten the holiday season for these children and their families," said Principal Brian Doyle. "A tree means a lot to a family. It helps to create more of a sense of warmth, of family, of tradition. These are things our families need right now."

They will receive natural Christmas trees, ornaments and lights, and a tree stand for their home.

Northline Commons is located at 4400 North Freeway, 77022, on the corner of I-45 North and Crosstimbers St. For more information, please visit [www.northlinecommons.com](http://www.northlinecommons.com).

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