

Blood Drive for Student/Cancer Patient **ANGEL GORDON**



**MONDAY, APRIL 2, 2007
1 PM to 7 PM**

**at St. Rose Elementary School
230 Pirate Dr., St. Rose (off River Road)**

***The goal is 50 donations so the
family will qualify for blood coverage.***

10 year old **Angel Gordon**, a student at St. Rose Elementary School, was diagnosed with Leukemia (ALL) on January 29, 2007. She must have ongoing chemotherapy treatments until her cancer is eradicated. Blood transfusions will be one of her life-lines.

Chemotherapy interferes with the body's ability to produce platelets which is the glue in your blood that stops bleeding. This blood component has a shelf life of less than five (5) days. For this reason, compatible blood donors are needed for Angel. She will also need red blood cells to help her immune system remain strong. **ALL BLOOD TYPES ARE NEEDED.**

To donate blood you must be in good health, at least 17 years of age and weigh a minimum of 110 pounds. Individuals with high blood pressure or diabetes can now donate. If you have any medical questions or have been out of the country in the last year, call The Blood Center's Metairie Donor Center **887-2833** or **1/800/86-BLOOD (862-5663)** to verify that you can give before donating. Please drink a lot of fluids and eat before donating. **A picture ID is required to donate blood.**

Questions should be directed to **Carla Grunberg** of St. Rose Elementary at **504-464-9254**.

If you're not able to donate on April 2, you can still donate at any of the Blood Center's local donor locations. Call 504-887-2833 or 1-800-86BLOOD to make an appointment. PLEASE ASK THEM TO CREDIT YOUR DONATION TO PATIENT ANGEL GORDON.