August 5, 2019

Parents, Guardians, and Community Members,



Our students come to school with a positive attitude and eagerness to learn, despite the staggering poverty present in our community. High school students are less inclined to ask for help when faced with barriers this poverty presents. This means that some come to school in the winter without coats, wear dirty clothes because they do not have anything else, and are unable to take care of their hygiene due to lack of basic products. To help our students overcome some of these barriers and feel comfortable and confident, Ontario High School is creating a Comfort Closet.

The Comfort Closet will strive to make hygiene products available such as shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, combs, feminine hygiene products, body wash and laundry detergent. We also want to offer gently used or new clothing adult sizes SM to 3x to include pants, shirts, sweaters and coats, shoes, and new socks and underwear.

However, we cannot do this alone. We are looking for donations to help us stock the Comfort Closet. There are several ways to support students in need. When cleaning out your closets, consider donating clothing in the sizes specified above. You may also purchase the items yourself or make a monetary or gift card donation to be used for the purchase of needed items. All types of donations can be mailed or dropped off at:

Ontario High School c/o OHS Comfort Closet 1115 West Idaho Avenue Ontario, OR 97914

Ontario High School is grateful for the generosity of our community. We look forward to partnering with everyone to make sure our students have access to the basic necessities to feel warm, clean and confident. They deserve it. Thank you for helping us with this new endeavor to meet the need. We encourage you to contact Dr. Elizondo or Teresa Figueroa with any questions, feedback or suggestions.

Sincerely,

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