



How and What to Donate

We need your help to help others!

What: With need in our community higher than ever before our goal of helping all SMSD students to be better prepared for school is at an all-time high. Our main priority this year is providing gently used school appropriate clothing needs for K-12 students. Below is a suggested list of items most needed. However, we strive to support the entire family by offering free clothing and accessories from infant to adult. School shoes, backpacks, winter boots, hats & gloves, winter coats in all sizes are appreciated.

Pre-Teen and Teen Aged Boys Small to X-Large

- Casual pants, jeans, shorts
- Sweatpants, joggers, trainers
- Short and long-sleeved t-shirts
- Casual shirts, flannels
- Hoodies, coats, jackets
- Tennis shoes, casual shoes
- New underwear and black socks

Younger Boys & Girls Sizes 6-16

- Casual pants, jeans, shorts
- Sweatpants, joggers, leggings
- Short and long-sleeved t-shirts
- Casual shirts, flannels
- Pajamas
- Hoodies, coats, jackets
- Tennis shoes, casual shoes
- New underwear and socks

Pre-Teen and Teen Aged Girls Small to X-Large

- Casual pants, jeans, shorts
- Sweatpants, joggers, leggings
- Short and long-sleeved t-shirts
- Casual shirts, sweaters
- Hoodies, coats, jackets
- Tennis shoes, casual shoes
- Bras, camis, sports bras
- New underwear and socks

Other Needed Items

- Blankets lap size to bed size
- Sheets and pillowcases twin size and larger
- Bath towels and washcloths
- Baby, Children's, and YA books
- Plastic grocery bags
- Infant & Toddler clothes

Items we DO NOT need

Toys, household items, household décor, furniture, baby items.

Individual Donations: Bagged items may be dropped off in the donations bins at our location or handed to a volunteer during our posted shopping hours.

Questions: Contact smacce@smac-pta.org with any questions.

Location: Early Childhood Education Center, 6701 W 83rd St, OP, KS, drive through the parking lot to Door #7 in the back of the building. There are donation bins marked SMAC PTA there.

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DONATIONS:

- New or Clean, gently used clothing items Infant to Adult
 - o Most frequently needed items are Boys and Girls clothes size 5 to 16.
 - o High School aged Boys and Girls casual school clothes sizes small-medium-large
- NEW in package underwear & socks sizes 3T to adult both Boys and Girls
 - o Most frequently needed items are Boys Underwear size 6 to 16, Men's underwear in small-medium-large, and Men's crew length black socks.
- General Supplies
 - o tall kitchen trash bags with pull ties
 - o 55-60 gallon black plastic trash bags
 - o Clorox (or similar) cleaning wipes
 - o clear packing tape
 - o adult and child pants hangers
 - o plastic grocery bags
- Blankets and sheets new or gently used - lap blanket to bed sized.
- Children & Young Adult books
- We are no longer accepting donations of household items or toys.
- **YOU!** Donations are not able help anyone without volunteers putting them into action!

VOLUNTEERS:

- Anyone wanting to volunteer is welcome during any of our regular shopping hours. You are always welcome!
- Volunteer Opportunities are listed on our website at: www.smac-pta.org/clothing-exchange.
- Students needing service hours are also welcome during any volunteer hours shown our website.

VOLUNTEER TIPS:

- Arrive at the designated time and knock on either Door #7 or #8. Drive through the parking lot to the back of the building to the gymnasium.
- Wear comfortable shoes and clothes with layers.
- Bring snacks or coffee along! Bottled water and soda are provided.
- The last half hour is spent resetting the shopping floor.
- **Know you are appreciated!**

ABOUT THE SMAC CLOTHING EXCHANGE:

- The Shawnee Mission Area Council PTA Clothing Exchange has been serving the community for over 40 years.
- Supported by all the local PTA units of our school district, the CE is able to provide this amazing resource assisting over 100 children each week.

THANK YOU!

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