Do You Need Help with School Clothes? Do You Need Help with School Supplies?

Clothes Connection & Supply Depot

The Birdville ISD Council of PTAs operates two programs to help BISD students from low-income homes: *Clothes Connection & Supply Depot*. *Clothes Connection & Supply Depot* services are available only to BISD families with an established need. Students who qualify for "Free and Reduced Lunch" qualify for assistance. <u>Families seeking assistance must qualify for the "Free and Reduced Lunch Program"</u>. The confirmation letter received from the BISD Child Nutrition office will be used to determine eligibility. If you have questions about whether your family qualifies, please ask the school contact person (usually a nurse or counselor). Please do not show up at *Clothes Connection & Supply Depot* without your confirmation letter or a referral or you will not be able to obtain clothes.

What is available for qualified families?

- one week's worth of new underwear, new socks, and gently used clothes, once per semester for each qualified student
- one shoe voucher to Payless Shoesource, once per school year for each qualified student
- one jacket and one coat, once per year for each qualified student

Clothes Connection & Supply Depot are volunteer run programs operating solely through financial and clothing donations from our community. Donations of gently used children's clothing are accepted at the Clothes Connection facility during regular business hours.

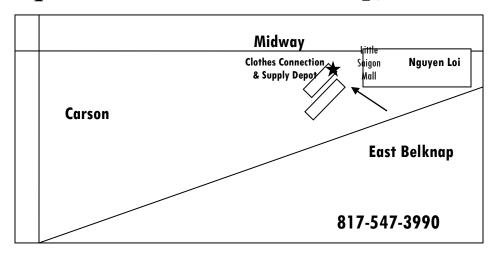
Volunteers are always welcome!



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5308 E. Belknap, Haltom City 76117

The building is set back between a strip mall and the Little Saigon Mall next to the larger Nguyen Loi Oriental Supermarket.



Clothing and Shoe Vouchers

The *Clothes Connection* will be open to serve families <u>before school begins</u> in August. You must bring your confirmation letter from the Child Nutrition office in order to receive service. <u>Due to volunteer limitations</u>, we only guarantee <u>admission to the first 40 families in line each day.</u>

- Dates open:
 - o Saturday, August 13 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
 - o Monday, August 15 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
 - Monday evening, August 15 from 4 p.m. to 7p.m.
 - Tuesday, August 16 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Beginning August 23, 2016, the *Clothes Connection* will be open regular hours: Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9:00a.m. - 12:00p.m., except school holidays and half days.

School Supplies

School supplies are not available at the Clothes Connection facility. School supplies are delivered directly to each campus before school begins in August. Each campus determines how to distribute supplies to their students.

- Supplies are pre-packaged by school levels (K-2 elementary, 3-5 elementary, 6-8 middle, and high school.)
- 17" Backpacks, as available

Due to the large number of students served, *Supply Depot* cannot provide school-specific supplies. Instead, grade leveled pre-packed basic supplies are distributed. Teachers and campuses are aware of this policy and are responsible for supply distribution to students. Contact your campus for more information.