



*Above: Items organized and displayed in the Tiger Boutique and Haberdashery for students in need.*

The Tiger Boutique and Haberdashery is a charitable organization that has had a big impact on many different people at our school and community.

If you are ever in need of winter clothes, toiletries, school supplies or dressy clothes for dances, French teacher Jodee Cronk and her Agents of Change advisory have created the Tiger Boutique and Haberdashery. This advisory created this resource for students in 2018. It all started when the Agents of Change wanted to do a toiletries drive for the teens at the homeless shelter. The shelters were running low on toiletries, so their advisory put on a school wide toiletries drive.

“We ended up with way more than they can use and store at the shelter so we decided to keep some in my closet for students who needed them,” said Cronk.

From there on out they kept adding supplies to Mrs. Cronk’s little closet (comfort closet) and now it is this little room hidden in the back of the 800 building.

“It’s just an amazing project that we have thoroughly enjoyed as the class of 2022,” said senior Nina English, a member of Agents of change.

These students have been working really hard for 4 years with this boutique to make sure that people have access to everyday necessities. It was intentionally only for GJHS students then later on they opened it for the community and other schools.

“No questions asked, if they say they need something they

can,” said Cronk.

The boutique is now located in the 800 building at the end of the hallway by the restrooms. It is open every Wednesday and Thursday during study time and there will always be mentors there helping out or you can email the tiger boutique to set up an appointment. All the supplies come from donations from the community or shelters.

The boutique has had a huge impact on a wide range of people. Specifically those that struggle financially. Students from GJHS

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love going to get some cool items. They come to get clothing items or any necessities and things they need. Sheridan Percell is a freshman and likes to come during advisory study time to get some new items.

“Whenever my shoes get worn down, I come here and pick up a new pair of shoes,” said Percell.

“Maybe kids that have a hard time reaching out, they know that they can go to Mrs. Cronk or either one of us students to receive help,” said senior Chayton Moffitt, a member of agents of change.

If you have any clothes or stuff that you would like to donate to the tiger boutique and haberdashery or you would like to set up an appointment to go shop, email Mrs. Cronk at [tigerboutique@d51schools.org](mailto:tigerboutique@d51schools.org) or talk to Mrs. Cronk in room 116.

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Left and Above: Students browse through winter clothing at the Tiger Boutique and Haberdashery for the upcoming winter season.

# & haberdashery

## Why is the boutique needed?

**44%**  
at Grand Junction High School

**9.3%**  
in Colorado

### POVERTY RATES

**13.4%**  
in the US

**9.2%**  
in the world

Note: a poverty rate is the percentage of people in comparison to the entire population who live below the poverty line

Sources: School District 51 Website, Colorado Census, World Vision, U.S. News, and Data USA

- Central High School
- Fruita Monument High School
- Grand Junction High School
- Palisade High School

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