



Dear parents,

My name is Anastasia Drakos. I am a grade 11 student at Hillfield Strathallan College. In 2014, I began a charity called Pass It On that collects gently used clothing for children and teens living below the poverty line in the Halton and Hamilton-Wentworth regions. Through fundraising initiatives Pass It On has collected over 3,000 articles of clothing that is distributed through direct donations and/or the Pass It On pop-up shop; a temporary clothing store set up within charitable facilities where clothing is offered to children and teens free of charge. Pass It On works closely with the Eva Rothwell Centre in Hamilton, the Compassion Society of Halton and the Kerr Street Mission and SafetyNet Services in Oakville. Having the privilege of witnessing first-hand the incredible impact appropriate school attire has on a child's self-esteem and academic performance motivates me to continue my mission to provide appropriate school attire for school aged children living in disadvantaged situations.

During the week of May 8th-12th your school will be participating in the Pass It On community clothing drive. During this weeklong event schools in the Hamilton-Wentworth and Halton region will be collecting gently used clothing for children size 2 – 16. All donations will be picked up on Friday May 12th and will be sorted by size and gender and distributed to the above mentioned charities.

Should you have any questions or require further information please do not hesitate to contact me at passitonkids@yahoo.ca. I look forward to your participation as it is when we work together to help one another that we create strong communities.

Sincerely,
Anastasia Drakos