

Why do you think
it's important to help
others?



"It's the right thing to do."

— Freshman Thomas Rose



"You never really know what
someone is going through, so it's
always good to give that positive
vibe energy."

— Sophomore Asheera Horton



"It's a part of good morals: just being
a good person in general, giving
back, karma and things like that."

— Senior Devon Thomas



Bronco to Bronco

Staff helps out students and families in need

For nearly two and a half years, assistant principal James Bambico and staff have been providing food, clothing, paper items and even furniture to students and families in need.

Bambico approached superintendent and former Boyd principal Rick McDaniel about the idea of a charity about two years ago.

"If basic needs are not being met, then how, as an administrator, can I expect these needy students to come to school and be thinking about learning?" McDaniel said

Because Bambico is a house principal, he is in a unique position to find out about students' unfortunate situations.

"I knew that we certainly had a need from the students and their family and knew that we had a staff willing to help those families," Bambico said.

The help is provided only to those who contact Bambico. Many students in need approach him in the hallways and ask him for help.

"I will call them out of class later that day or sometime and talk one-on-one and they can tell me," Bambico said.

If an item is not on hand, an email is sent out to staff listing what is needed.

"Bambico is taking care of the needs and bringing it to our attention so that they can have the clothing and food that they need," Algebra I teacher Contessa Ansari said.

The staff has been more than willing to provide for the cause. Many are able to donate the requested item the day or the day after the need is presented.

"We are family here at Boyd," Ansari said. "The students being able to be clothed properly is very important and if their basic needs are not taken care of, they aren't able to perform well at school."

Although the staff donates the items, they never know who they are donating to. The charity is kept completely anonymous for the comfort of both the family in need and the staff members donating.

"I think it's a great idea that everyone is anonymous," Ansari said. "It just makes everyone a little more comfortable."

Families may contact Bambico in the main hallway or through email at jambambico@mckinneyisd.net.

"I think students naturally gravitate towards Mr. Bambico," economics teacher Jana Bambico said. "He has a naturally kind soul that really shines through."

—Courtney Cadenhead