

St. John's College's Builders Club

Stronger Together: Supporting our School Clinic

St. John's College's Builders Club identified a need within the school community to better support the nurse's clinic. Throughout the school year, the clinic frequently required basic medical and hygiene supplies to adequately care for students, but most importantly, during the cold and flu season. Many students visited the clinic daily, and supplies such as bandages, sanitizers, tissues, and other essential items would run low. Recognizing the importance of maintaining student health and wellness, the club saw an opportunity to assist in ensuring the clinic remained properly stocked.

To address this need, Builders Club developed a year-long donation initiative. The plan involved organizing collections of clinic supplies from both students and parents. Members created a list of needed items in collaboration with the school nurse and set timelines for collection drives throughout the year. The club also planned promotional efforts, including announcements and messages to parents, to raise awareness and encourage participation.

The project was carried out through consistent collection drives held during the school year. Donation boxes were placed in accessible areas, and students were encouraged to contribute items regularly. Club members took responsibility for organizing, sorting, and delivering the donated items to the nurse's clinic. The project was sustained over several months, ensuring that the clinic received ongoing support rather than a one-time donation.

The success of the project depended heavily on the involvement of the wider school community. Builders Club members actively engaged students, parents, and staff by communicating the purpose of the initiative and the importance of supporting student health. Parents were informed and encouraged to donate supplies, while students participated by bringing items and helping to promote the initiative among their peers. This collaborative effort strengthened the sense of community and shared responsibility.

The project had a positive impact on the Builders Club members by helping them develop leadership, teamwork, and organizational skills. Members gained experience in planning and executing a long-term service project while learning the value of consistency and commitment. The initiative also strengthened their sense of empathy and responsibility as they contributed directly to the well-being of their peers.

The nurse clinic project significantly benefited the school community by ensuring that students had access to necessary health supplies when needed. This contributed to a healthier and more supportive school environment. The project also fostered a culture of giving and cooperation among students and parents, demonstrating the power of collective effort. Ultimately, the initiative reinforced the importance of service and care within the community.