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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express the ongoing and urgent need for basic supplies and pantry items at Pathfinder High School, a school serving a low-income population. While I've worked in a variety of educational settings, the needs at our current placement are significantly more pressing and widespread.

Many of our students come from families facing food insecurity, housing instability, and limited access to basic necessities. Unlike some other schools where families are able to consistently provide lunches, school supplies, and hygiene items, many of our students rely entirely on what the school can offer. Teachers and staff often purchase snacks, personal items, and educational materials out-of-pocket to ensure no student is left behind or made to feel lesser due to their circumstances.

Access to a school-based pantry and supply bank helps us meet students' essential needs discreetly and with dignity. Items such as non-perishable food, hygiene products, backpacks, notebooks, not only support academic engagement but also promote emotional well-being. When students are not worried about being hungry or lacking materials, they are better able to focus, participate, and thrive.

The support we receive through donations or partnerships directly translates into student success, stronger family engagement, and a more equitable school environment. It is not an exaggeration to say that these contributions often fill a critical gap in our students' lives—one that schools in more affluent communities may not face on the same scale.

Thank you for your time, understanding, and consideration of our school's needs. Your support has a direct and lasting impact on our students and our community.

Sincerely,
Chloe McLane
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