

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we prepare for an exciting and hands-on year in the Automotive Service class, I want to ensure students are properly equipped for both safety and success in the shop environment. This course involves working on real vehicles in a working shop area that can be dirty, greasy, and physically demanding. Proper clothing and personal preparation are essential.

Required Student Supplies:

To ensure your student is ready for daily activities, please have them bring the following items:

- **Non-slip, closed-toe shoes** (work boots or sturdy sneakers preferred; no Crocs or sandals)
- **Durable pants**, such as jeans or work pants (no shorts, leggings, or pants with holes)
- **Shirt that can get dirty** (t-shirt, long sleeve, or work shirt — avoid anything that can't be stained)
- **Optional:** Work gloves, safety glasses (we have some available, but personal pairs are allowed)

Students will be assigned a **locker in the shop** where they can store extra clothes or shoes if they choose to change before class. I recommend sending them with a spare shirt or pants that can remain at school in case they need to change.

Please remind your student that **safety comes first** in the shop. Appropriate clothing and footwear not only protect them, but also reinforce professionalism and readiness for real-world automotive work environments.

If you have any questions or concerns about supplies, storage, or class expectations, feel free to reach out to me directly.

Thank you for your support, and I look forward to a great school year ahead!

Sincerely,
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