

N. JUNIOR HIGH STUDENT DRESS AND APPEARANCE CODE

As a Catholic School District, the goal of our Dress and Appearance Code is to provide a positive and safe learning environment that will reflect our virtues of decency, modesty and respect. Students' dress and appearance shall be appropriate for educational activities and not cause a disruption to the educational process.

Specifically, but not limited to:

- Outerwear (i.e. coats, jackets etc.) sunglasses, hats or headgear shall be left in lockers.
- Emblems, printing/writing on shirts, jackets and headwear shall be in harmony with Catholic values and beliefs.
- Shorts and skirts shall be in good repair and of appropriate length.
- Appropriate footwear shall be worn at all times.

Clothes, jewellery or accessories which create a safety or health concern, or cause, or threaten to cause disruption to the educational process are prohibited.

Specifically, the following are prohibited:

- Midriff shirts, halter tops, spaghetti straps, muscle shirts.
- Garments revealing bare back, shoulders, plunging necklines, or those made of sheer or fishnet fabrics.
- Clothing or accessories that depict or symbolize alcohol, drugs, violence, gang associations or inappropriate language/messages.
- Heavy or spiked chains.

Students not complying with the Dress and Appearance Code will be asked to change into more appropriate attire. It will be viewed as defiant behaviour if the student repeatedly violates the Dress and Appearance Code. Consequences, as outlined in our school's Progressive Discipline Plan shall range from a verbal reminder to a suspension from school.