



NOTRE DAME CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Dress Code

Dear Parents:

The York Catholic District School Board ensures that an appropriate dress policy is outlined in accordance with the Board's policies and is reflective of the following Statement of Guiding Principles:

It is our belief that appropriate dress fosters the following:

- a sense of belonging and pride with an institution
- a safe and respectful learning and teaching environment
- a confident and positive sense of self and respect for the dignity and welfare of others

Catholic Education proclaims a view of life that is God-centred; a view of person that is Christ-centred; a view of community that is Church-centred. Notre Dame is committed to high standards of cleanliness, modesty and good taste.

As a result, the expectations at Notre Dame School are that students will be clean, attired in clothing that reflects a modest manner and respect for self and others. One example of appropriate attire would be mid-thigh shorts and a loose fitting T-shirt. Students can certainly wear Capri pants or full length trousers.

The following is not acceptable at school:

- clothing with rude/offensive language or slogans
- tops with spaghetti straps (all straps must be at least 3 finger widths wide)
- low-cut tops
- clothing that exposes the abdomen, buttocks, or undergarments
- short shorts or short skirts (must be below mid-thigh)
- muscle shirts
- ripped pants, shorts or skirts
- clothing or articles suggesting "gang" affiliation
- hats are not to be worn in the school

We would ask that all students in every grade adhere to these guidelines but will be focusing on grades 4-8.

We thank you in advance for your co-operation in this matter.

Yours truly,

Mr. T. Colangelo
Principal

Mr. D. Forrest
Vice-principal