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Superintendent: Mrs. I. Fortino

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January 23, 2018

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

This notice is to provide parents with a reminder regarding the status of the Mandatory School Uniform Elementary Policy (S.17). In January 2004 a report, "Mandatory School Uniform - Elementary" was presented to the Committee of the Whole. The Board of Trustees approved the implementation of the mandatory school uniforms in JK – Grade 8 to begin in September 2004. This initiative has been well received and strongly supported by all of the Catholic School Communities.

The following is important information from past consultation and the present policy (Dress Code/School Uniforms Policy S.17 available on the Board website www.hwcdsb.ca)

- 1) Parents may purchase items from the school's designated supplier or from other sources as long as the items are comparable (colour, style, fabric). Designated suppliers are authorized to embroider logo and provide patches (Crest) for the schools to sell.

Your designated Supplier is

Name:	JML Uniforms
Address:	95 Parkdale Avenue N. Hamilton
Contact Information:	905-544-1608

New: Online Shopping Cart is now available at JML's website: <http://jmluniforms.ca>
(Shop on-line at home and have your items delivered to your home)

- 2) Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Elementary School has always been and continues to be a mandatory cresting school. *(tops need to have either patches or embroidered crest).*
- 3) JML Uniforms have differed the patch and this cost will be used to embroider all comparable tops.

Thank you for your continued support in this matter.

Sincerely,

Mr. R. Lenjosek
(Principal)

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

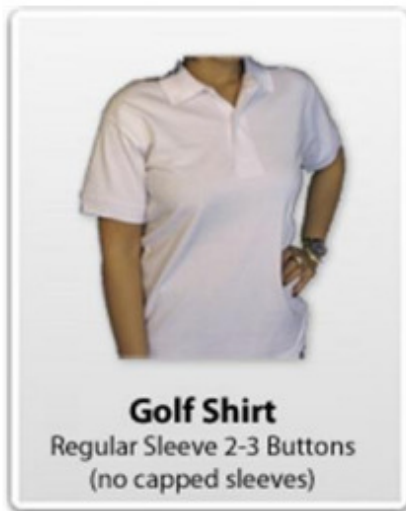


As per the Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board's mandatory school uniform policy which took effect September 2004, students at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Elementary School are required to wear the approved school uniform as outlined below.

Uniform pieces may be purchased through the school's supplier; JML Uniforms (<http://jmluniforms.ca>), phone (905) 544-1608, Fax 905-544-9213, 95 Parkdale Avenue North, Hamilton, Ontario, L8H 5X1; or at any other retail outlet provided that the items are comparable to those provided through the supplier and tops are crested.

The uniform shall consist of navy blue or white top and navy-blue bottoms. There must not be any manufacturer names, logos (other than the school logo), zippers (except the usual one), pockets (except one on each hip of the pants) etc., anywhere on the uniform.

Pictured below are the various items that are part of our uniform.



Tops:

All items must be crested with the collar worn down. ONLY plain navy or white T-shirts are to be worn under the school uniform and not to be worn longer than the outer uniform top (no lace, etc. showing). No hooded tops or sweatshirts. (No hooded tops allowed except for the Grade 8 Graduation tops)

Bottoms:

All items must be worn at the waist, pant legs are not to be rolled up, tucked into socks, frayed, slit, cut-off or dragging on the ground. No creasing required on pants. No sweatpants (except JK-Grade 3), track pants, cargo pants, leggings, jeggings, denim, cords, pants with zippers on pockets/legs, tight pants or high highs. All socks and tights (leotards) with the full foot must be white or navy blue.

Footwear:

Navy or white socks or tights (leotards with full foot) must be worn at all times. For safety and daily physical activity, running shoes are the daily recommended footwear. All shoes must be closed-toe.

Cresting:

All tops must be crested. Items purchased through the supplier will be automatically crested at no additional cost. All tops purchased elsewhere must have a school crest affixed to them. Crest can be purchased at our school office if needed. Spirit ware is not part of the uniform (team shirts, etc.) but can be worn on special days.

- Graduation Hoodies
- Eco – Shirts and Students Council shirts that are worn on special days
- Students on sports teams or clubs are permitted to wear their team or club shirt on the day of that activity.

Civvies Day

On civvies days (dress down days), the school uniform is not required and students are expected to dress appropriately for that occasion. Accessories not in keeping with the spirit of the uniform code will not be acceptable. Please do not hesitate to contact the school office and speak with the principal if you have any questions.

Upon school entry all outerwear not acceptable to the uniform policy must be removed and left at the student's coat hook.

Compliance / Enforcement

Mandatory school uniform implies that all students arrive at school dressed appropriately. Failure to do so shall result in consequences. The following progressive disciplinary consequences are to be followed:

1. Three verbal reminders (junior and intermediate students only) along with a written notification (notes, agenda) to the parents by the teachers. For students in the primary grade (JK – Grade 3), notification of uniform infractions will be written in the student agenda and verbal communication with parents through regular dialogue will be encouraged.
2. Written communication by the Principal or designate to parent regarding the breach of the Board policy and outlining the following consequences for further breach.
 - i) loss of privileges (but not recess) and/or
 - ii) student receives detention/age appropriate discipline assignment and/or
 - iii) parent is contacted to pick up the student from school and/or
 - iv) student will be suspended if the student attends without proper uniform attire.