

## **UNIFORMS**

The compulsory school uniform is intended to develop a sense of pride and self-discipline in our students and in our school. In making the decision to attend St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Secondary School, students have made a commitment to comply with the school uniform policy from the beginning of period 1 to the end of period 5 each school day.

It is the student's responsibility to wear the uniform properly. **A student who is not in proper uniform will not be admitted to class without the Principal or Vice-Principal's authorization.** The Principal and Vice-Principal(s) have been authorized to send home, as appropriate, any student who is not in uniform. McCarthy's Uniforms can be reached at 905-820-4520 OR 1-888-264-9998.

**Students in frequent contravention of the uniform policy will meet the following consequences:**

1. Verbal warning
2. Parent/Guardian contacted
3. Lunch detention(s)
4. Withdrawal of classroom privileges
5. Suspension

## **DRESS CODE**

- **McCarthy** X - Kilt, St. Thomas Aquinas tartan – girls only
- **McCarthy** grey dress pants, pleated – girls and boys (note: McCarthy only) **\*pants are not allowed to be tucked into socks**
- **McCarthy** grey dress pants, flat front – girls only (note: McCarthy only) **\*pants are not allowed to be tucked into socks**
- **McCarthy** white oxford shirt, single pocket, white buttons, button down collar, short or long sleeve, embroidered crest
- **McCarthy** golf shirt, embroidered crest, **no shirt extensions (girls) T-shirts must not be longer than uniform shirt/blouse**
- Solid black shoes (no white or coloured piping) with a proper sole
- **McCarthy** grey sweatshirt, embroidered crest
- **McCarthy** black sweater, cotton, embroidered crest
- **McCarthy** black sweatshirt with zipper, embroidered crest
- **McCarthy** black vest, cotton, embroidered crest
- **McCarthy** plain white turtle neck, embroidered crest
- **McCarthy** black walking shorts, pleated, worn with solid white athletic socks, **no white or coloured layering to girl's socks, no nylons or pantyhose may be worn- tights/leotards only.**

**Only McCarthy grey dress pants will be permitted. We caution parents and students NOT to substitute a grey pant from other retailers.**

**Parents and students should note that students who need to wear non-regulation footwear will be required to produce a medical note informing the school of the time period required for this uniform exemption.**

All students are to be in full and complete uniform **from their time of arrival to the end of period 5, lunch periods included.** Students not in proper uniform will not be allowed to attend classes without the permission of the Principal or Vice-Principal(s).

**Hats, caps, bandanas, hoods, sunglasses or any other head gear are not to be worn in the school at any time. Also, they and any other non-uniform items are not to be brought to any class. These items are subject to confiscation if worn in the building or if brought to class. These will be returned to the student at the discretion of the Vice-Principal.**

Hats, track (running) shoes, sandals, **winter boots** and/or court shoes are not part of the school uniform and therefore are not to be worn inside the school building.

Students may wear a plain white **short sleeve** t-shirt under the uniform shirt or blouse; or, they may wear the turtle neck under the shirt, blouse, or sweater. **Plain white means no writing, no logos, no diagrams. No long sleeve shirts underneath short sleeve uniform shirts/blouses.**

There are **no substitutions or additions** to the St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Secondary School Dress Code. X-Kilts are to be worn at a respectable length (1" - 2" above the knee).

**On civics days students are to be dressed appropriately – no bare midribs, no halter tops, no torn or ripped clothing, and no inappropriate logos or sayings.**

