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Dear Parents:

As of June 1, 2010, our new uniform supplier is Flynn & O'Hara School Uniforms. Our shoe company, Coed Uniform, remains the same.

In light of the fact that we have changed to a new uniform company, I want to re-state to you from the student handbook the school dress code. The items that are highlighted are changes for the upcoming school year. Please note, however, the present uniform for both boys and girls can be used for next year provided it meets dress code standards. It should be noted specifically that the present skorts can be worn provided it is no shorter than 2" above the knee. If this is not the case, for next year it cannot be worn.

Please know that as of June 1<sup>st</sup> you cannot buy any school clothing from Li'l Darling. We have notified them they are not authorized to be selling our wares after June 1<sup>st</sup>.

The dress code for Our Lady of Lourdes is as follows:

Our Lady of Lourdes High School maintains the right to establish a policy of dress for its students. The school's dress code is designed to establish habits of neatness, good grooming and hygiene that reflect the standards of the community. By its dress code, Our Lady of Lourdes also attempts to create an appropriate atmosphere conducive to learning.

A student not adhering to the dress code will be barred from classes until compliance is met or until he/she notifies a parent or guardian to come and pick him/her up or bring appropriate attire for him/her to wear. It should be clear that the final decisions in any dress code matter rests with the Deans of Students who have full authority to act in the name of the Principal.

As a private school, we reserve the right to set the dress and hair policy which conforms to our philosophy and objectives. We urge parents to monitor clothing worn to and from, as well as in, school. All school uniforms should be cleaned regularly and replaced when no longer presentable.

**GENERAL NOTES:**

- A. The dress code is in effect at all times, including the arrival and departure from school.
- B. Ripped or torn uniform clothing may not be worn at school. Ripped or torn school fleeces, school sweatshirts, or team apparel may not be worn on those days designated for the privilege of wearing such apparel.
- C. Warrior Fridays: Every first Friday of the month will be "Warrior Friday". This will be a privileged opportunity extended to show one's school spirit but is not a "free dress" day. Clubs, athletic apparel, Lourdes-issued sweatshirt or fleece will be permissible. Proper school uniform will be required under the club or athletic shirt, uniform or sweatshirt.
- D. Extremes in dress, jewelry and personal grooming are to be avoided at all times. If a question arises as to whether or not a certain manner of attire or ornamentation is in keeping with the code, the Dean of Students, acting for the Principal, will resolve the question.
- E. Failure to observe the following guidelines will exclude a student from attending his/her regularly scheduled classes.

The dates for the fall/spring uniform are 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quarters. The winter uniform is to be worn during 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> quarters. Both boys and girls dress codes include regulation school pants. These pants will carry a school logo on the pocket. Regulation school vests/sweaters are required for all grades. School uniforms are to be purchased at the uniform company **Flynn & O'Hara School Uniforms**. OLL polo shirts, senior sweatshirts and gym uniforms are available in the Bookstore.

Students not adhering to the dress code will be issued demerits.

**GIRLS DRESS CODE** The basic attire for girls consists of:

1. School Uniform Blouse
  - A. **Oxford style (button down collar) colors: white, blue, yellow**
  - B. Only short-sleeved white T-shirts (no printed T-shirts with logos etc.) may be worn under the blouse. All blouses must be tucked in at all times.
2. Regulation School Uniform Pants
  - A. Colors: Navy or Tan
  - B. Pants must fit properly and be worn at the waist.
  - C. Pants should not have slits or be cut at the bottom.
  - D. Black or brown solid color dress belts, of simple design, are required with uniform pants.
3. School Skorts/Kilts
  - A. **Skort colors are navy and khaki. Kilts colors are plaid, navy and khaki.**
  - B. **Skorts/kilts should be worn no higher than 2" above the knee (measured from the top of knee).**
  - C. **All must be hemmed. Cut off or frayed skorts/kilts are NOT permissible.**
  - D. **Students in violation of the skort/kilt regulations may be required to wear school pants only.**
4. Shoes
  - A. All students are required to wear uniform shoes. The exclusive distributor of these shoes is: CO-ED Uniform Company, (201)796-4220, www.coeduniform.com.
  - B. Hosiery must be worn at all times and seen at the ankle. Only solid colors (black, navy, white, maroon, grey, or tan) are permitted. Open weave, including fishnet, are not permitted.
5. Lourdes Sweater/Vest
  - A. The Lourdes sweater or Lourdes vest must be worn over the oxford blouse. This is a mandatory part of the winter uniform.
  - B. Colors: Navy, Maroon or Grey
  - C. The seniors have an option/privilege of wearing the Lourdes-issued senior sweatshirt throughout the whole school year. The school sweatshirt can be purchased in the Bookstore.
6. No faddish hairstyles (cut, color, etc.), excessive or faddish makeup (e.g. black) will be permitted. The Dean will determine whether a particular hairstyle or color is appropriate.
7. Girls may wear appropriate earrings but are not permitted any other jewelry associated with body piercing. Tattoos are prohibited.
8. The fall/spring uniform for girls allows the wearing of the school polo shirt in place of the school sweater and blouse. Polo shirts do not have to be tucked in but may not be oversized and of excessive length. The approved colors, which can be purchased in the bookstore, are navy, royal and white. Only the *current* design can be worn.

**BOYS DRESS CODE** The basic attire for boys consists of:

1. School Uniform Shirt
  - A. Oxford style (button down collar) colors: white or blue
  - B. Only white T-shirts may be worn under the shirt. No printed T-shirts with logos, etc., may be worn.
  - C. All oxford shirts must be fully buttoned and tucked in at all times.
  - D. Ties must be worn with the Oxford shirts. No bowties allowed. Ties must be worn appropriately.
2. Regulation School Uniform Pants

- A. Colors: Navy or Tan
  - B. Pants must fit properly and be worn with a belt at the waist.
  - C. Pants should not have slits or be cut at the bottom.
  - D. Black or brown solid color dress belts, of simple design, are required with pants.
3. Shoes
- A. All students are required to wear uniform shoes. The exclusive distributor of these shoes is: CO-ED Uniform Company, (201)796-4220, [www.coeduniform.com](http://www.coeduniform.com).
  - B. Socks must be worn at all times and must be seen at the ankle.
4. Lourdes Sweater/Vest
- A. The Lourdes sweater or Lourdes vest must be worn over the oxford shirt and tie. This is a mandatory part of the winter uniform.
  - B. Colors: Navy, Maroon or Grey
  - C. The seniors have an option/privilege of wearing the Lourdes-issued senior sweatshirt throughout the whole school year. The school sweatshirt can be purchased in the Bookstore.
5. Boys are to be clean-shaven at all times. Hair must be well groomed, may not be lower than the bottom of the ear or cover the eyes, and may not hang below the collar at the back.
- A. No faddish hairstyles (cut, color, etc.) will be permitted.
  - B. Dyeing of hair in any form is not permissible.
  - C. Sideburns are to be no lower than the bottom of the ear.
6. Boys are not permitted to wear earrings or any other jewelry associated with body piercing. Tattoos are prohibited.
7. No hats may be worn inside the building.
8. The fall/spring uniform for boys consists of regulation school uniform pants and a school polo shirt. Polo shirts do not have to be tucked in but may not be oversized and of excessive length. The approved colors, which can be purchased in the bookstore, are navy, royal and white. Only the **current** design can be worn.

Please be advised that Flynn & O'Hara will be here at Our Lady of Lourdes on June 17<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-7:00 p.m. and on July 27<sup>th</sup> from 2:00-6:00 p.m. You may also make purchases online. Enclosed is a price list for your use. Contact information is:

Flynn & O'Hara School Uniforms, Inc.  
 10905 Dutton Rd.  
 Philadelphia, PA 19154  
 800-441-4122  
[www.flynnohara.com](http://www.flynnohara.com)

We look forward to being served by Flynn & O'Hara and hope that you will be pleased with the quality of their products. If you have any questions, please feel free to call one of our Deans of Students, Mrs. Myers or Mr. Junjulas.

In Christ,

Rev. John M. Lagiovane  
 Principal

**P.S. The end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter is being moved to Friday, April 16<sup>th</sup>; therefore, summer uniform will begin on Monday, April 19<sup>th</sup>. This is a change to our calendar.**



