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Dear Parents:

We know it is a huge financial sacrifice to send your child to a Catholic school, although the benefits of the Catholic faith infused learning are priceless. We continue to believe in the benefits of having a uniform policy which facilitates learning. This pulls the emphasis away from a concern about the latest fashions and brands and allows students to concentrate on school work.

During the 2018-2019 school year, the plaid skirts and jumpers will remain the same. Kindergarten through third grade are required to wear a jumper, and fourth through eighth grade are required to wear a skirt, if not wearing pants and shorts (K-8). Many of these are available in the Uniform Closet in our downstairs lunchroom *at no cost*. There are many sizes available, and they are in great condition. You can also purchase the uniform plaids through Dennis Uniform.

Shirts will not be required to have the emblem, although we are strongly encouraging each family to purchase one of these shirts. This is a great marketing tool and shows pride in our school. Red polo shirts are required for grades K-5. Navy shirts will be worn for grades 6–8.

The shorts and pants will remain the same for future years as it has been in the past for boys and girls. Grades K-5 will wear navy pants or shorts. Students in grades 6-8 will continue wearing khaki or navy pants and shorts, or girls may wear the plaid skirt. Once again you may find these in the Uniform Closet or at any local store of your choice, including Dennis Uniform.

Hoodies are NOT part of the uniform code, except on Spirit Days. The crew neck sweatshirts with the STV plaid "T" will be accepted along with the new navy cardigan, quarter zip, and the cowl sweater from Dennis Uniform. (See school website for link to Dennis)

The PE t-shirt can be purchased through Dennis Uniform or the school at the beginning of the year. Gym shorts may be purchased at any local retail store or Dennis Uniform as long as they are navy and past the finger tips.

Preschool will join the K-8 in wearing uniforms next year. Please go to the Dennis Uniform site to see the cute uniform options available. These may be purchased anywhere. Uniforms are optional for Preschool.

Shoes are a part of a Catholic School Uniform. We want your children to be comfortable, but we want to be uniform and polished. We are asking that you purchase mostly white, black, navy blue, or gray shoes with laces. We understand that there may be some minor color accents. Dennis Uniform also offers navy and black optional shoes for both boys and girls.

Socks or tights must be black, navy blue, or white.

We are excited to see your children show up on the first day of school ready and eager to express their personality in their school work, art work, creative writing and much more.

God bless,

Mrs. Mary Brinkman and the Uniform Committee