

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS and POLICIES 2011-2012

The Notre Dame High School uniform is to be worn every day except on special dress days which are predetermined and listed on the school's calendar. Students will be refused admittance to class if they report out of uniform. Clean, neat and attractive uniforms are a discerning mark of a Notre Dame High School student. Students should be immediately recognizable as a member of our school community. The uniform not only includes the items that should be worn, but the manner in which they are worn. The uniform serves as a reminder to all that we are Christians and that we are models for others and should hold a sense of pride and unity for all students.

If at any time during the school year, any part of the school uniform is worn and/or unappealing -- the administration will require the item(s) to be replaced.

Requirements for Girls:

- Shirt: 1. Solid white uniform oxford blouse with the Notre Dame crest on the left chest;
2. Solid white knit shirt with the Notre Dame crest on the left chest;
-short or long sleeves; shirts must be tucked into skirt with waist band visible.
- Undershirt: Solid white short sleeve undershirt only may be worn.
- Skirt: Notre Dame Plaid, stitched-down box pleated skirt;
-no shorter than 4 inches above the floor when kneeling; skirts must be hemmed.
- Walking Short: Notre Dame Plaid walking shorts; no shorter than 4 inches above the floor when kneeling (no longer than 1 inch below).
- Belt: Solid brown (jeans days) belts 1 inch to 1 ½ inches in width; with small brass or small silver buckle.
- Tights: Solid navy or gray;
-Socks need not be worn with tights.
- Socks: 1. Solid navy or white crew socks; or
2. Navy or White ankle socks with the ND Logo, **purchased only from the Pio Cabin. (These are the only ankle socks permitted.)**
- Shoes: 1. The White Saddle Oxford with Navy or Black saddle, or Brown Saddle Oxford; may be two tones of brown or one solid brown. Saddle oxford is a style that many shoe companies' manufacture such as: Dexter, Bass, Rockport, Clarks, and Born
2. 'Keds'® (navy canvas or white leather)
3. Brown topsider (light or dark brown)
-Socks must be worn with shoes and shoe laces must blend with the shoe and be tied.

Requirements for Boys:

- Shirt: 1. Light blue uniform oxford with the Notre Dame crest on the left chest;
2. Light blue knit shirt with the Notre Dame crest on the left chest;
-short or long sleeves; shirt must be tucked into pants with belt visible.
- Undershirt: Solid white short sleeve undershirt only may be worn.
- Long Pant: Solid navy pants;
-no faded pants, corduroy, hip-huggers, or cargo pants allowed; pants must be hemmed.

- Walking Short: Solid navy shorts; shorts must be hemmed, no shorter than 3 inches above the floor when kneeling (no longer than 1 inch below).
- Belt: Solid brown belts 1 inch to 1 ½ inches in width; with small brass or small silver buckle.
- Socks: 1. Solid navy or white crew socks; or
2. Navy or White ankle socks with the ND Logo, **purchased only from the Pio Cabin. (These are the only ankle socks permitted.)**
- Shoes: 1. The Brown Saddle Oxford; may be two tones of brown or one solid brown; Saddle oxford is a style that many shoe companies manufacture such as: Dexter, Bass, Rockport, Clarks, and Born
2. The white Puma athletic shoe with navy or black stripe.
3. Brown topsider (light or dark brown)
-Socks must be worn with shoes and shoe laces must blend with the shoe and be tied.

Student I.D.s and Violation Cards for all students are considered part of the official school uniform and must be visibly worn at all times. Please see consequences under “Violations” Section in Handbook.

Outerwear Policies for all students: (the official school shirt must be worn under all outerwear)

- Sweaters: 1. Solid navy or scarlet official pullover/button down sweaters with the Notre Dame monogram (NDHS) in red or white; **purchased from an authorized uniform store.**
2. The Notre Dame official academic sweater **issued each December by NDHS.**

Note: T-shirts may not be worn as a sweater over the shirt.

Beginning with the Freshman Class of 2011, sweaters will no longer be acceptable outer wear.

- Sweatshirts: For school purposes a sweatshirt is defined as a long sleeved collarless pullover with banding around waist and wrist made of cotton/cotton blend; sweatshirts are **not to have hoods**, collars, zippers, buttons, or any other ornamentation. **Navy or white official school sweatshirt purchased from Notre Dame is only acceptable sweatshirt. BEGINNING WITH THE FRESHMAN CLASS OF 2011.**
1. Solid navy sweatshirt with no writing, design or logo
 2. Solid navy or scarlet official sweatshirt with the Notre Dame monogram; **purchased from an authorized uniform store.** (The addition of a white, one inch, block style monogram indicating a ND club or sport affiliation added below the official insignia is permissible.)

Jackets: For school purposes a jacket is defined as any article of outerwear, lined or unlined, with a full zip or button front which extends to the waist or hip. Jackets are **not to have hoods.**

1. Solid navy (cotton/cotton blend) full zip or button front with no writing, design or logo;
2. Solid navy fleece full zip front jacket with the Notre Dame monogram; **purchased from an authorized uniform store.**
3. Solid navy or scarlet official light or heavy jacket with the Notre Dame monogram. (The addition of a white, one inch, block style monogram indicating a ND club or sport affiliation added below the official insignia is permissible.)

BEGINNING WITH THE FRESHMAN CLASS OF 2011, JACKETS WILL NO LONGER BE ACCEPTABLE OUTER WEAR.

Coats: For school purposes a coat is defined as wool, or wool blend/lined extending below the fingertips when standing. Coats need only be worn on extremely cold days. (Example: “pea” coat) Coats are **not to have hoods**.

1. Navy/Black coat with no writing, design or logo.
2. Notre Dame official athletic letterman coat **issued each September by NDHS**.

Student not adhering to the previous must immediately remove the outerwear and adhere to the appropriate violation and consequence.

Grooming Requirements/Policies:

Hair for all students: For drug testing purposes, if a student’s hair is too short for collection, hair may be taken from several sites or an alternate test may be administered.

Hair for **boys**: A student’s hair must be of moderate length in the front, back, top, and sides.

- Hair must not extend below the eyebrows when straightened.
- Hair must not extend below the top of the ears.
- Hair may not touch the shirt collar in the back.
- Hair should never be held in place with the aid of the ears.
- Adding gel type substances to hair to disguise the length will not be allowed.

Hair must be clean and neat at all times. Layered hair, shaving or carving in the natural hairline, excessively dyed, bleached, or tinted hair, and the like are not acceptable. Dreadlocks, weaves, or extreme hairstyles are not allowed.

Boys are not allowed to shave their heads bald. This would result in the administering of a Drug Test at the parent’s expense and the student adhering to the consequences under the “Disrespect” policy and considered a Major Violation.

Boys must be clean shaven.

Excessive styles of sideburns are prohibited and sideburns will not exceed the earlobe.

Hair for **girls**: Hair should be well groomed and off the face. Layered hair, shaving or carving into the natural hairline, excessively dyed or bleached hair, and the like are not acceptable. Dreadlocks, weaves, or extreme hairstyles are not allowed.

Student not adhering to the previous will be sent home until the policy is met and adhere to the appropriate violation and consequence.

Jewelry Policies for all students:

Necklaces: Multiple necklaces are not allowed. A student may wear one gold or silver necklace with or without a religious medal or symbol that is representative of a Catholic-Christian retreat or camp experience. A student may also wear a scapular.

Earrings: **Girls** may wear one set of earrings, multiple sets are not allowed.
Boys may not wear earrings at any time at school or at school functions.

Tattoos: Tattoos which are visible at any time are not allowed.

Body piercing: With the exception of earrings, body piercing is totally unacceptable.

Other: Chain wallets, large belt buckles, hats, or sweatbands are not permitted.

Makeup: Makeup in moderation is allowed for female students.

Student not adhering to the previous must immediately remove the items and adhere to the appropriate violation and consequence.

Health and Physical Education Uniform Requirements for all students:

Uniforms deemed appropriate by the teacher/coach and dean of students will be issued or accepted; female students may be required to wear tights under the uniform shorts.

Student not adhering to the previous will be subject to a deduction in grade for that class.

Spirit Day Policies for all students:

Spirit attire may be worn on **FRIDAYS ONLY**;

Spirit Day attire is defined as: -A Notre Dame Official Club shirt, sweatshirt or jacket;

-A Notre Dame Official Organization shirt, sweatshirt or jacket;

-A Notre Dame CLASS (Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior) shirt or sweatshirt; **NO**

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-A Notre Dame Official Sporting Team shirt, sweatshirt, jacket, or jersey.

All Spirit attire must: -have the Notre Dame High School name, logo or crest visible on the shirt;

-the shirt and design must be in school colors (navy, scarlet, white) or gray;

-be pre-approved by the administration;

-be purchased from the school or an organization affiliated with the

school.

Student not adhering to the previous will be detained until they are in the official school uniform and adhere to the appropriate violation and consequence.

Jeans Day Policies for all students:

Jeans: Jeans days will be designated during the school year

-on these days students have the option of paying \$1.00 to wear jeans;

-jeans must be blue; jeans must be hemmed; jeans may not have holes

-students must wear the uniform shirt, or blouse, or approved spirit shirt.

-shirt need not be tucked if jeans are worn.

Shoes: Students must wear regulation leather shoes or tennis shoes, with regulation socks;

-on these days students have the option of paying .50 to wear colored shoes, boots or sandals.

Theme Day Policies for all students:

Theme days are those days designated as special dress-up days which correspond to a pre-approved theme. These days usually occur during (but not limited to) Homecoming, Student Council and Holy Weeks. Students are expected to: dress according to the theme; dress modestly and in 'good taste';

follow all guidelines which will be announced prior to the day.

Retreats/Field Trip Policies for all students:

Students must follow the same regulations as stated in the "spirit day" policy with jeans.

Students must wear their official Notre Dame Student ID with violation card.

NOTE: The administration reserves the right to determine if the student meets the standards of the school regarding dress and grooming during the school day and at school events. In general, clothing and personal grooming should be such as to

suggest the serious minded Christian student. Students should wear the school uniform properly and proudly at all times.