

# North Toronto Christian School

### Grades 7 - 12 Uniform Policies and Guidelines

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NTCS is a uniform school and all students are expected to support their school by wearing their uniform properly at all times. Students who consistently ignore the uniform guidelines will lose the privileges of casual days and face possible suspension. Uniform items are to be purchased only from **McCarthy Uniforms Inc**. All items must be crested with NTCS logo only.

#### **Uniform Policies**

- Students must arrive at and depart from school in proper uniform. Exception: in cold weather, girls may wear pants to and from school, but must change to the kilt immediately upon arrival to or just prior to departing from the school. Also, students may put on the school tie and dress shoes immediately upon arriving at the school. (Ties and dress shoes may be left in student lockers at the end of the previous day).
- Students are expected to be in uniform on all school days, unless otherwise notified.
- The student's name should be written on all uniform clothing in case of loss.
- Students should have enough items of clothing so as to always have clean clothes to wear.
   Please ensure that enough items are purchased so that your child is never without a proper uniform set.
- Parents may not excuse students from the uniform policy. Notes from home are not accepted. In
  exceptional circumstances, the school should be contacted or the student should, upon arrival to
  the school, report to the office.
- **Field trips**: Students are required to travel on field trips in proper uniform. Under special circumstances, the Principal may grant an exemption.
- Non-uniform items are forbidden at all times. This includes lunch time, spares, before and after school. Sweatshirts, running shoes and jackets are to be left in lockers. Dress shoes are to be worn over the lunch hour and during spares.
- Students may be asked to leave class and/or return home if not in compliance with the uniform policies and guidelines.

#### **Physical Education Uniform Guidelines**

All athletic clothing must be purchased from the physical education office during the first week of school and throughout the school year. This includes the NTCS red (Gr. 7/8) or grey (Gr. 9-12) gym shirt, navy shorts, white sport socks and non-scuff running shoes. NTCS track pants are also available for colder weather. Athletic attire must have the NTCS logo only and be maintained in good condition. Students not in complete uniform will be barred from participating in gym classes, with negative consequences for their grade, and also from school team practices. It is strongly recommended that students have at least two shirts so that one is always available while the other is being washed. Please ensure that all PE uniform items are labelled with the student's name and grade.

## Uniform Guidelines for North Toronto Christian School Mandatory items for Grades 7 – 12

Shoes:	Black dress shoes (no white soles or black running shoes) that cover the entire foot (with or without laces and in good repair). Laces must be tied. No boots, athletic wear, moccasins, deck shoes, open-toed shoes, sandals or sneakers that look like dress shoes.
Shirts:	White, long-sleeved, embroidered dress shirt (unisex style for both girls and boys) and white polo shirt (short and long-sleeved) must be tucked in at all times (including after school). Girls may also wear a long-sleeved, button down embroidered blouse that may or may not be tucked in. NTCS crested shirts only. Any undershirts or undergarments must be white in colour, with no large logos or slogans so as not to show through the shirt. The dress shirt (boys) and dress shirt or blouse (girls) must be worn with the tie and is required for picture day and other special school functions.
Pants:	Boys only, worn at the waist and of a proper length. Charcoal grey, men's flat front dress pants from the uniform supplier only. No alteration is allowed to change the style (i.e. no narrowing of pant legs).
Kilt: (Mandatory)	Girls only, worn so that the kilt reaches the knee. If extra length is required, a special order is available upon request.
Quarter Zip Sweater and Vest:	NTCS navy, quarter zip sweater or sleeveless vest. You must purchase at least one of these items. No other outerwear (sweatshirts, jackets, etc) may be worn in the school at any time. The polo shirt, blouse, or dress shirt must be worn underneath the sweater.
Tie:	It is worn with the embroidered dress shirt and girl's blouse. It should be done up to cover the top button.
Belt:	Boys <b>must</b> have a solid, dark coloured leather belt, unmarked, and with a plain buckle to complete the uniform.
Socks (Boys):	Dress socks must <u>cover</u> the ankle and be navy, black or dark grey in colour. Low- cut athletic socks are <u>not</u> permitted.
Socks (Girls):	Knee high socks or tights must be green or navy in colour. Tights may not be patterned or flesh tone. No leggings are permitted.
Hats:	Hats may not be worn inside the school building.
Earrings:	Girls only and on the ears only.
Hair:	Any hair colouring must be of a natural hair colour. (Something you could be born with!) Boys must have their hair cut "short" to be off the collar. Boys may not have hair in a ponytail.

<u>Please note:</u> A student who has forgotten one item (e.g. tie, shoes, or socks) may be exempted for the day, but this is considered a uniform infraction. Students with multiple infractions will be disciplined or in severe cases suspended from school. Parents may **not** excuse students from compliance with uniform policies. Items that are lost or in disrepair, or that your child has outgrown, must be replaced. Please ensure that your child is never without a proper uniform set.