

THE CALGARY JEWISH ACADEMY

STUDENT UNIFORM POLICY

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1. POLICY STATEMENT

At The Calgary Jewish Academy (CJA), school uniforms are being implemented in order to:

- Support the development of pride and school spirit within the CJA;
- Support a sense of unity and identification at the CJA;
- Reinforce a tone of respect and dignity;
- Lessen distractions and reinforce an environment conducive to learning ;
- Lessen peer pressure amongst students to dress a certain way to “fit in” and
- Reduce perceived socioeconomic differences

When CJA students are in uniform outside the school, they represent CJA and everything that CJA represents.

All CJA students (Nursery to Grade 9) are required to wear uniforms during school hours and at all school related activities, unless otherwise advised. Formal uniform attire, as outlined in the Uniform Guidelines (section 2) is required on formal days. Parents are responsible to send their children to school in a uniform that is the proper size, clean, well-maintained and **clearly labeled** with the student’s name.

The uniform policy will be strictly enforced. Parents are responsible for ensuring that their children are appropriately dressed before arriving at school. Students arriving at school not in uniform will not be permitted to attend classes, and their parents will be contacted to bring the uniform to school. Students, who repeatedly do not follow the school uniform policy, will be sent home until the appropriate attire is worn.

All CJA students will be required to wear uniforms in accordance with this policy. Formal uniform days will be every Friday (*Shabbat*) and specific days outlined in the school calendar or as directed by administration.

2. UNIFORM GUIDELINES

Uniforms are mandatory for all students (Nursery to Grade 9) effective September 2011. Non-uniform clothing (including non-logo sweatshirts, hoodies and jackets) may not be worn indoors. So that we have a genuine “uniform”, all uniform items (other than socks, shoes and belts) must be purchased from Top Marks, the official supplier.

Formal Uniform Days, students must wear the following:

Girls (N-Gr 6): Button front cardigan sweater OR sleeveless vest, white Oxford shirt (short or long sleeve), with a navy tunic, kilt or pant and navy knee-high socks or navy tights. *Navy, flat front walking short or navy cargo short may be worn May 1 – September 30 only.*

Girls (Junior High): Button front cardigan OR sleeveless vest, white fitted Oxford shirt (short or long sleeve), girls tartan tie, and either a tartan kilt, navy knee-socks or navy tights (if knee-socks are worn, modesty shorts are required); OR grey flat front dress pants and grey socks. *Navy cargo short may be worn May 1 – September 30 only.*

Boys (N- Gr 6): Button front cardigan OR sleeveless sweater vest, white Oxford shirt (short or long sleeve), navy pants and navy socks. *Navy, flat front walking short or navy cargo short may be worn May 1 – September 30 only.*

Boys (Junior High): Button front cardigan sweater OR sleeveless sweater vest, white Oxford shirt (short or long sleeve), boys navy tie, grey flat front dress pants and grey socks. *Navy cargo short may be worn May 1 – September 30 only.*

Daily Uniform Days, students may wear any of the above noted formal wear pieces and/or any of the approved uniform tops and bottoms as listed in both the CJA Uniform Clothing Options document and on the CJA section of the Top Marks website. Gym strip is not acceptable as daily wear.

Non -Uniform Days, students are permitted to wear clothing of their choice in accordance with the CJA Non-Uniform Dress Code Policy #5.50.