#### **DRESS CODE**

Students of St. Patrick's High School are required to groom themselves in a manner that is modest, clean, appropriate, decent and not disruptive to the educational process. Students are expected to abide by this dress code upon arrival to the school building through the end of the school day. The requirements include, but are not limited to:

### **Head Coverings:**

 Hats, sunglasses, or head coverings of any kind, including bandanas and visors, may not be worn in class unless approved for religious or medical reasons. Certain headbands, barrettes, etc. which are used to hold hair in place and do not cover the entire head, are permitted.

#### **Shirts** Shirts must:

- Cover the midriff area (bottom of shirt must meet the top of the lower attire *at all times*).
- Cover undergarments (i.e., muscle shirts and tank tops are considered undergarments, and must have a shirt over them).
- Not be see through.
- Fit modestly so that cleavage area is covered.
- Not convey messages that express hate, racial slurs, sexual harassment, or profanity.
- Not convey establishments or products whose names can be directly interpreted or construed as carrying a "double meaning" involving sexual innuendo, alcohol or drug use.

## **Skirts/Shorts/Pants:**

- Skirts and shorts should not be excessively short.
- Pants will cover undergarments at all times and not be excessively long.

#### Other:

- No slippers may be worn.
- No spiked clothing or accessories.
- Underwear should not be showing and should not be worn as outerwear.
- Shoes should be worn at all times.

## **Violations:**

A student found wearing inappropriate clothing will be asked to change or remove the item, and may be given an opportunity to do so. Should the student not be able to change or remove the item, clothing may be provided by the school, if necessary. A detention will be assigned. Any student repeatedly not complying with the dress code may be considered insubordinate, and subject to appropriate administrative action.

# **Request for Exemption:**

Requests for exemptions to the dress code, for religious, medical or for the purpose of school spirit activities are up to the discretion of the administration. Requests should be made in writing.