



Pope John Paul II  
Regional Catholic Elementary School

*Growing in Faith, Learning for Tomorrow*

## "Stand Out Saints": The Uniform Compliance Initiative

We have noticed this year that many students are faithfully adhering to the uniform code. This shows genuine leadership and so we wanted to find a way to recognize these students and encourage others to take the same responsible approach to their uniform code compliance.

Therefore, we are excited to announce a new initiative, "**Standout Saints**" designed to celebrate and reward students who consistently demonstrate pride and leadership through their adherence to the school uniform code. We believe that **uniform compliance** is much more than just following a rule—it is rooted in Catholic tradition, and is an essential part of our school's commitment to creating an environment where every student can thrive.

### Connecting Compliance to Our School's Mission

This initiative is deeply rooted in the core pillars of our school's mission:

#### **Prayer, Academics, and Service.**

- **Academics:** A neat and proper uniform helps foster a focused and professional atmosphere. When students are dressed appropriately, they are physically and mentally preparing themselves for the seriousness of **academic study**. Attention to the small details, like a tucked shirt, proper length of skirt or the correct shoes, reflects the discipline required for academic excellence.
- **Prayer & Leadership:** The uniform signifies that we are all part of one community, united under God. By diligently following the uniform code, students exhibit **humility** and **respect**—virtues that enrich our communal prayer life and service. We celebrate students who show **leadership** by meeting expectations even when others are not, demonstrating a quiet strength and commitment to our community standards. This consistent compliance is a visible sign of their commitment to our shared values.
- **Service:** Our uniform is a symbol when we go out into the community. Consistent compliance ensures that we represent our school and its mission with **dignity and respect**

in all our acts of service. It sends a message that we are prepared to serve and uphold the highest standards in all we do

## **The Reward System**

Students who are in **full and consistent uniform compliance** for a trimester, will be eligible for a **STAND OUT SAINT** certificate which can be used to dress differently on a designated day in the new marking period. This is designed to recognize their discipline and leadership and to set them apart and identify them as leaders in our school.

We recognize that compliance to the uniform code requires daily sacrifice and commitment and we wish to recognize those who do comply and give them a day to celebrate themselves. Individual homeroom teachers will track student uniform compliance.

Non-compliance with uniform code will still be subject to reminders and warnings as well as demerit points and will affect students personal and social growth grades accordingly.

## **A Note to Our Parents: Our Essential Partners**

This initiative can only succeed with your continued support and **partnership**. We know that getting a student out the door each morning in full compliance requires effort at home.

**Thank you** for prioritizing this small but significant step each day. By ensuring your student leaves the house in proper uniform, you are teaching them the valuable life lessons of **respect for authority, self-discipline, and attention to detail**—lessons that extend far beyond the classroom and the uniform itself.

This initiative will begin when we return to school after the Christmas holiday on January 4, 2026. New Year, New You, New Uniform attitude! 😊 We look forward to celebrating your students' success and continued commitment to the mission of our school.