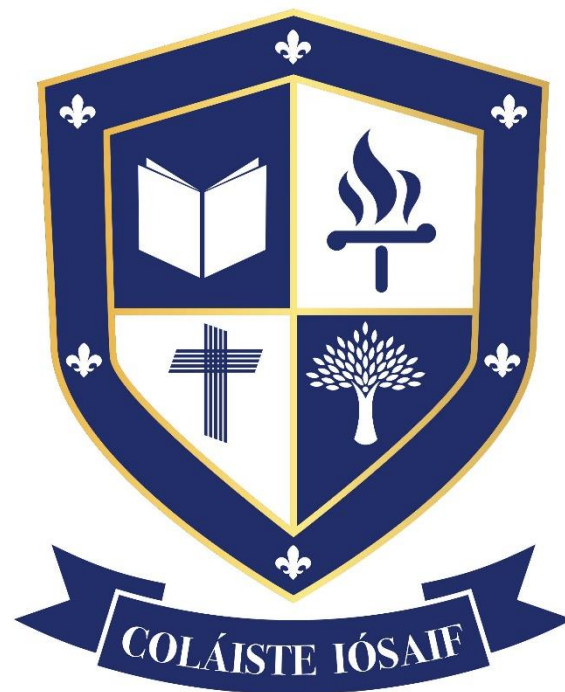




Uniform Policy



St. Joseph's, Fairview

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Coláiste Íosaif is very proud of its students and the school uniform which clearly identifies and distinguishes them. Our school uniform is a huge part of our identity as a community of learners. The students of Coláiste Íosaif wear their uniform with pride and honour. The manner in which students present and conduct themselves while in uniform reflects significantly on the public image of Coláiste Íosaif. Therefore, students wearing our uniform should always be conscious that they represent the entire school community, and as such, their conduct, attitude and manners should reflect our school principles and values.

There are many advantages of school uniforms, for example:

- A school uniform instils pride, a sense of belonging and a community feeling in our school
- It removes the incidence of inappropriate dress in school
- It helps our students to learn better as it removes a major source of distraction.

A lot of hard work, research, time and collaboration have gone into choosing the uniform for Coláiste Íosaif. Parents and guardians are expected to show their support for Coláiste Íosaif by fully co-operating with the school in ensuring that all students wear the full school uniform to and from school every day.

Below is the current school uniform for Coláiste Íosaif which is compulsory for all students attending our school:

School Uniform items which can only be purchased from the official school supplier (Lynch's of Marino)	School Uniform items which can be purchased separately by parents/guardians
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Navy, crested school jumper • Blue shirt • Navy trousers/skirt • Navy socks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All-black shoes or runners <i>please see guidelines below</i> • Navy/blue/black jacket (Seniors only) • Blue shirts • Navy socks • Navy trousers • Appropriate sports gear for PE
School Uniform items which can only be purchased from the official school supplier (Playr-Fit <i>through school website</i>)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Navy, crested school jacket • Tracksuit top, crested (<i>optional</i>) • Tracksuit bottoms (<i>optional</i>) • Shorts (<i>optional</i>) • Sport T-shirt (<i>optional</i>) 	

School Footwear

Please check the following pictures of shoes that will be allowed to be worn with the Coláiste Iósaif uniform. Parents/guardians are advised to check with the school if they are unsure BEFORE purchasing any footwear.

The following types of shoes are permitted to be worn by students:

- All black leather shoes, soles included
- All black runners, no colours other than black on soles or on sides of shoes



The following types of shoes are examples of shoes NOT permitted to be worn by students:



Suppliers of the official School Uniform:

Replacement items can be purchased from Lynch's of Marino or Playr-Fit as needed (details on school website)

The school footwear can be sourced anywhere as many shops carry this style of shoe.

The above list of shoes is not exhaustive. Please contact the school if you are unsure before purchasing footwear.

Uniform Code

The school uniform is hugely important in Coláiste Iósaif and may be inspected every morning. Please read the following very carefully. This uniform code will be implemented in the context of our Code of Behaviour.

- All students are required to wear the full school uniform (as described in this document) to, from and during school every day. This includes the correct school footwear, official school jacket for Junior students, and navy, blue or black jacket with no other colours for Senior students.
- Students should always be aware that they represent our school when wearing the school uniform (even outside of normal school hours). Any poor conduct whilst wearing our school uniform has a potential impact on the image of Coláiste Iósaif and may result in disciplinary consequences (in accordance with our Code of Behaviour).
- All students are required to wear the full school uniform when representing the school on school trips/activities. Any student who does not present in the appropriate uniform, unless otherwise specified, may not be permitted to represent the school or go on the school trip/outing.
- School skirts must be worn to knee length.

- **For Junior students (1st-3rd years)**, no jacket other than the official school jacket may be worn at any time.
- **For Senior students (TY-6th years)**, jackets must be either the school jacket or one of fully blue, navy or black colour with no visible writing or designs.
- Non-uniform items of clothing may result in confiscation until end of day, instruction to return home and change, or calls to home to remedy uniform, as deemed appropriate by the school.
- School jackets may be worn inside the school building but they should be removed once in class.
- Student hairstyles must be kept clean, neat and discreet. Hair colours must be within the natural range of hair colours. The school reserves the right to decide on whether hair is within a natural range of colour.
- Hair should not impede or distract from learning or teaching. Where a student has long hair, this must be tied back during practical classes for health and safety reasons. Facial hair should be kept neat and groomed where evident. Hair should not obstruct any part of a student's face. The school reserves the right to decide whether a particular hairstyle is acceptable or not.
- While students are allowed to have nails decorated/maintained, these should pose no impediment to learning or cause health and safety concerns.
- Visible tattoos and facial piercings (of any kind) are not allowed.
- False eyelashes are not permitted.
- Students should not wear jewellery on days when they have sports or practical subjects.
- It is the responsibility of each parent/guardian to ensure that each item of their son/daughter's uniform is labelled clearly with their name.
- Students are responsible for their own property.

Games/PE clothing

On days in which the students respective year group has 'Games' class/ PE, they are permitted to wear their own sport clothing or the school sport gear available from Playr-Fit (on school website). This does not include the rules around school jackets which must be adhered to.

For this day, please note the following code:

- Clothing must be of 'full length' on both legs and arms. Eg. No shorts/tshirts/ 'spaghetti tops'
- Torso should be fully covered from neck to waist
- No writing or images on clothing which could be construed as offensive

Important Notes:

1. It is imperative that all students comply fully with our uniform code. On the occurrence of an isolated incidence where a student is unable to wear their correct uniform, parents/guardians should write an explanatory note in the notes section of the student's school journal. The student should present this note to their Year Head before first class.
2. Persistent infraction of the uniform code will result in the parent/guardian being contacted to come and take the student home until they comply fully.
3. Parents/guardians should contact the school if they are experiencing difficulty in acquiring the uniform.