

EXCUSE NOTES

Unless you have a parent or doctor medical excuse note, you must dress in the proper gym uniform and be ready to participate each scheduled class.

A **Parent Note** is for a medical problem only (illness or injury). A parent note cannot be written for missing part of the required gym uniform. A parent note is given to your gym teacher at the beginning of class. It excuses you for only one class. If you still cannot participate the next scheduled class, a second parent note is needed. After two parent notes in a row, a doctor medical excuse note is needed if you are still sick or injured.

A **Doctor Medical Excuse Note** is needed for any long-term medical excuse from participation. A doctor medical excuse note is given to the school nurse before going to class, and you bring a school nurse form to your gym teacher. The note should explain what the medical problem is, and say how long you will be excused from participation. A follow-up doctor note and updated school nurse form is required to resume participation in class.

**WITH AN EXCUSE NOTE, YOU DO NOT HAVE TO DRESS FOR CLASS.
WITH A NURSE FORM, YOU CAN BRING BOOKS AND CHROMEBOOKS INTO THE GYM TO STUDY.**

IF YOU DO NOT FEEL WELL AND DO NOT HAVE A PARENT/DOCTOR EXCUSE NOTE, YOU MUST GET DRESSED FOR CLASS. TELL YOUR TEACHER AT THE START OF CLASS THAT YOU ARE NOT FEELING WELL, AND YOU WILL BE EXCUSED FROM PARTICIPATION.

**ALWAYS GO DIRECTLY TO THE GYMNASIUM AT THE START OF YOUR SCHEDULED CLASS.
DON'T GO TO THE DEAN, GUIDANCE OFFICE OR NURSE INSTEAD OF GYM CLASS.**

IF YOU WANT PERMISSION TO BE EXCUSED FROM GYM CLASS TO GO ON A SERVICE TRIP, YOU MUST BRING THE SERVICE FORM TO YOUR GYM TEACHER THE DAY BEFORE THE SCHEDULED TRIP.

PROPER GYM UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS

- **Over-sized T-shirts or gym shorts are not acceptable in Physical Education class**
- **School "Dress-down Days" do not apply to uniform preparation in Physical Education class**

ACCEPTABLE: Properly-tied athletic sneakers and clearly visible athletic socks
UNACCEPTABLE: Rubber-soled shoes/cleats or athletic socks that can't be clearly seen

ACCEPTABLE: official Holy Cross PE green gym shorts or official HC PE sweatpants
UNACCEPTABLE: Cut-off shorts, sweatpants for boys, gym shorts or sweatpants with faded Holy Cross logo

ACCEPTABLE: Holy Cross athletic T-shirt (short or long-sleeve), plain white T-shirt
UNACCEPTABLE: Cut-off, novelty, tank-top, pocket T-shirts, T-shirts with number or name

ACCEPTABLE: Long-sleeved athletic sweatshirt (plain or with a school/sports logo)
UNACCEPTABLE: Sweatshirts with hoods or zippers, athletic jerseys or school team uniforms

**HOOP EARRINGS, WATCHES, CHAINS, BRACELETS OR RINGS ARE NOT TO BE WORN IN CLASS.
LEAVE YOUR JEWELRY AND MONEY IN YOUR HALL OR GYM LOCKER.**

****STUDENTS WHO USE AN INHALER OR EPIPEN GIVE IT TO YOUR TEACHER AT THE START OF CLASS****

LOCKER ROOM USE

DON'T COME DOWN TO THE GYM AREA UNTIL 7:45am!

1. Use a genuine combination or key lock to safeguard your valuables during gym class.
2. Use any locker in the main locker room. There are no assigned lockers for gym class. Take your lock and leave the locker empty at the end of class when you leave.
3. You can use a locker after school, but never leave a lock on it overnight.
4. If you use a locker after school and do not put a lock on it, the Athletic Director will put a school lock on it and charge you \$2.00 to have the lock removed.
5. The main gym locker room and Sports locker rooms open daily at 7:45am for student-athletes who need to go to their locker in the Sports locker rooms. The Sports Locker rooms close at 8:00am, remain closed during the school day, and reopen at 2:30pm.
6. The Sports locker rooms can't be used by student-athletes during gym class. Athletes can get their gym equipment before school from 7:45am to 8:00am. Athletes take their gym equipment to and from gym class like any other student. Athletes should not leave their shoes or books in their Sports locker overnight. Those rooms close at 8:00am, and you cannot go there after that even if you are late for school.