



Assumption Catholic Secondary School

Welcome back to returning
students and a special
welcome to students new to
our school community



Prayer

Lord Jesus, we ask for Your help as we begin this new school year.

Allow us to experience Your presence in the many blessings You put before us.

Open our eyes to the new challenges and exciting opportunities that this new school year brings.

Open our hearts and minds and give us a generous spirit and courage to accept new opportunities.

Help us to be attentive to one another and let us experience Your presence in our lives.

Jesus, inspire us to do our best this year! Amen



Attendance

- ▶ Regular attendance is important
- ▶ Have parents/guardians report on the School Messenger App the day of any absence due to illness or appointment. If they do not call, a note must be brought the day you return.
- ▶ **If you become ill during the day, report to the office. Being ill in the washroom is not an excuse for being absent!**
- ▶ **Before leaving the school you must sign out in Attendance office.** When returning, please sign in.
- ▶ If late by more than 20 minutes, please sign in at Attendance.



Attendance con't

- ▶ Parents cannot call in a approved absence to study or complete school work. Students who are signed out are expected to leave the building.
- ▶ Students who sign in late but do not go to class, may receive a consequence which can include a suspension.
- ▶ VP Alpha by surname
- ▶ Mrs. Thomas A-K, Mr. Laurin L-Z



Lates

- ▶ Arrive on time to minimize class disruption
- ▶ You must be in class before the bell.
Period 1 begins at 8:15 am. Warning bell goes at 8:10 am
- ▶ Classroom teacher deals with first 4 lates.
- ▶ 5th late you will be sent to the office and meet with the vice-principal (call home, detentions, suspension).
- ▶ There are consequences for signing in late at the office and not reporting to class.





Uniform

- No hats in the building upon entry.
- No slides, Crocs, or flip flops – Safety concerns. Shoes must be closed toe and closed heel.
- No studded jewelry.
- No non-school sweaters or hoodies. Only the Assumption hoodie is permitted.
- It is imperative for your safety and the safety of others that we know you are a student in the school



Uniform Cont.

- ▶ Consequences for being out of uniform:
 - ▶ 1st time – warning
 - ▶ No Uniform- No Class
 - ▶ Multiple infractions will lead to consequences from the office

Spirit Days/Informational Awareness Days

- ▶ Spirit/Informational Days will be themed. You have the option of participating or wearing the regular uniform.
- ▶ What does participation mean? September 9, 2022-FASD - Red awareness.





Lockers



- ▶ Must be in assigned locker
- ▶ Property of school
- ▶ Leave valuables at home
- ▶ Do not share lockers
- ▶ **Backpacks must remain in lockers**, do not bring them to the cafeteria or the classroom
- ▶ Lockers must be secured with a decent lock at all times (will not be issued a locker without a lock)
- ▶ Unlocked lockers, with or without contents, will be locked by the school. This is a safety measure for all students.
- ▶ All students have been assigned a locker





Electronic Devices



- ▶ Electronic devices including phones can only be used in the classroom for educational purposes under the direction of the teacher.
- ▶ The school is not responsible for lost or stolen devices.
- ▶ Inappropriate use of electronic devices may lead to confiscation, detention and/or suspension.



Food/Drink



- ▶ Nut free school – “Sabrina’s law”
- ▶ There is to be no eating of food in the hallways or in classrooms.
- ▶ There are to be no students in the hallways during lunches – as this disrupts classes that are in session.
- ▶ Students are to eat in Cafeteria or outside.
- ▶ Please be respectful of the school AND community.
Clean up after yourselves...Respect the staff and students who share the area.



Food/Drink

- ▶ Food delivery services must be met outside the front doors of the school only during lunch or after school.
- ▶ Delivery drivers are not allowed in the school
- ▶ If issues like undelivered items or orders made during class time arise, all services will be banned from the school



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Smoking & Vaping



- ▶ Not allowed on school property - a Provincial law. Suspension if caught smoking/vaping on school property.
- ▶ Please remember you must be 16 years of age to smoke; if caught smoking during school hours, please remember consequences can range from fines to suspension.
- ▶ No smoking/vaping in cars.
- ▶ By-law officers will fine students found on school property \$325.00 - \$1000.00.
- ▶ Possession of a vape device or the like, on school property may result in a suspension.



Visitors

- ▶ Visit your friends off school property.
- ▶ Plan your visits for after school.
- ▶ If a visitor (including a parent/guardian) has a valid reason to be at the school, they need to report to the Main Office. This is a mandatory safety measure.
- ▶ Unwanted visitors may be issued a trespass.





Cars & Parking



- ▶ Student parking requires a parking pass issued from the main office. These passes will need to be always displayed in your vehicle.
- ▶ Sharing of parking passes will result in the immediate revocation of parking your parking privilege.
- ▶ Drive carefully and safely in the parking lot and surrounding areas.
- ▶ Driving is a privilege not a right.
- ▶ While walking in the parking lot, be aware.



Busing

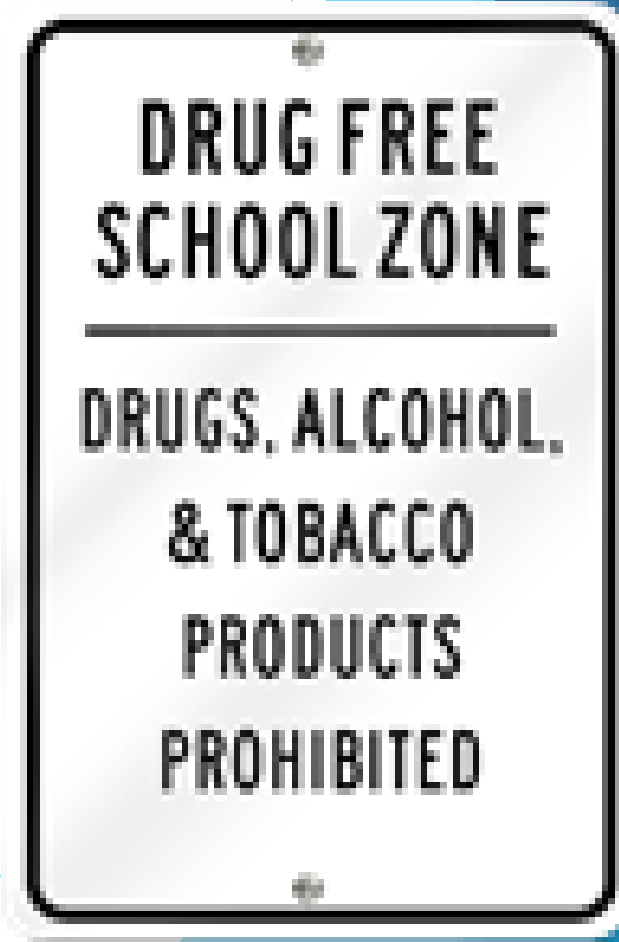
- ▶ Extension of the school
- ▶ Privilege not a right
- ▶ Must be on the registered list to ride the bus
- ▶ There is a process in place for courtesy seats. Please see Mr. Laurin.
- ▶ haltonbus.ca





Inappropriate Behaviour

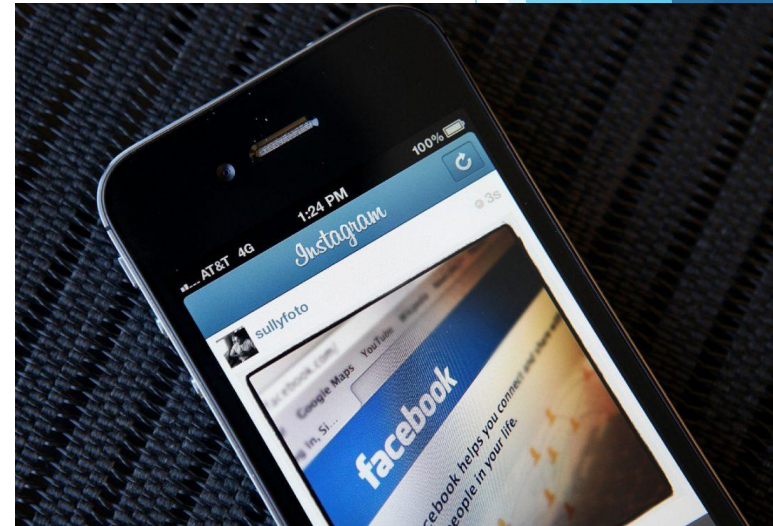
- ▶ School consequences will result when inappropriate behaviour occurs on school property, during school events, or if an event occurring off school property affects the climate of the school.
- ▶ Zero tolerance for alcohol, drugs, and fighting.
- ▶ Students who not report to the office as directed by staff will likely receive a suspension.
- ▶ When in doubt – report to the office.





Inappropriate Electronic Communication

- ▶ Defined as sending inappropriate pictures or text messages by phone or through social networking sites.
- ▶ Students sending, forwarding, posting or showing these pictures or messages will be suspended (and possibly expelled).
- ▶ Police will be contacted.





Bullying

- ▶ Will not be tolerated in any form:
 - Verbal, physical or electronic (Twitter, Snapchat, Instagram, Facebook).
- ▶ Report all concerns to a teacher or administrator.
- ▶ Students who bully or who encourage bullying may be suspended – possibly expelled.

Bul-lyi-ng

Repeated aggressive behavior intended to hurt another person, physically or mentally. Bullying exploits an imbalance of power.

Bullying consists of three basic types of abuse:

1. Emotional
2. Verbal
3. Physical

Hate or Biased Motivated Incidences

- Act committed against a person or property that is motivated in whole or in part by hate and or bias based on membership in a Code Protected ground such as race, ancestry, place of origin, colour, ethnic origin, citizenship, creed, age, disability, sexual orientation, sex, gender identity, gender expression, family status, marital status or socio-economic status.
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Conduct may be noncriminal and/or criminal

- Noncriminal can be verbal or non-verbal and may include jokes, innuendos, pictures, teasing, ridiculing, etc.
- A criminal offence must have occurred (e.g. an assault, damage to property, uttering threats etc.).
- Hate or Bias toward a victim must have motivated the criminal offence (e.g. because of the victim's race, nationality, ethnic origin, language, colour, religion, sex, age, mental or physical disability, sexual orientation etc.).

You have a Responsibility - We all have a Responsibility.

- ▶ Disrupt

- ▶ Report the Incident

- ▶ Reporting the incident is *your* responsibility.

- ▶ Follow up, investigation, and ensuring accountability is *our* responsibility.



A Few Keys to Success!

- ▶ Get involved in clubs, sports, student government, arts club, ambassadors...and the list goes on!
- ▶ If struggling, please seek help - from classroom teacher, guidance counsellor, child and youth worker, social work and V.P.s
- ▶ Talk to your mentor!
- ▶ Lead a healthy lifestyle (food, sleep, exercise, relationships, school)

Need Help, Advice, Support?

- ▶ Teachers and Other Staff Members
- ▶ Administration:
 - Mr. McDougall - Principal
 - Ms. Thomas - Vice Principal (A-K)
 - Mr. Laurin- Vice Principal (L-Z)
- ▶ Guidance Counsellors:
 - Ms. Giannotti – A-L
 - Mr. Yurgan – M-Z
 - Ms. D’Orsay– students with AP courses
- ▶ Child and Youth Counsellor – Devin Misner
- ▶ Social Worker- Fola Browne
- ▶ Chaplain- Adriana Rerecich
- ▶ ESL Teacher-Evonne Quintal



My School Day

*Quick Start for Students
and Parents*

- Searching in the store for “My School Day”
- Going to <https://myschoolday.app/download> in the browser on your phone
- Using the QR or snap codes below





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