



St. Ambrose School



Dress Down Day Policies, Rationale, and Upcoming Events

Dear Parents,

As is the custom in many Catholic schools in the diocese, the school will sponsor dress down day events. I would like to write a little note to parents in the beginning of the year to explain why we have dress downs and why such days are a good thing. Remember participation in the \$1 dress down days is not mandatory. Of course, if your means allow, you may donate more than \$1 for a cause close to your heart.

Sincerely,

Mr. Norris, Principal *[Signature]*

What Dress Down Days Are: An opportunity for all of the students of St. Ambrose to come together to raise money for worthy causes.

What Dress Down Days Aren't:

- A way for the school to make money:
None of the proceeds of dress down days goes to the school. Some dress downs may benefit a particular group of students, however. For example, every year we have dress down days to help defray the cost of the \$1,100 bus trip for students to visit the Villa of St. Joseph. The Sisters of St. Joseph, who are primarily a teaching order, have served the community and school of St. Ambrose since our very founding.
 - A fashion show:
Parents, students do not need a new outfit for a simple dress down day.
Simple modest dress is always the standard.
 - An excuse for slack behavior:
We maintain our high standards of discipline and respect at all times.
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Upcoming October Dress Down Days: (Please mark your calendar)

Friday, October 12 – HSA Sponsored Dress Down Day – Lee Denim Day

- Help support the fight for breast cancer

Wednesday, October 17 – The Marrow Foundation

- Proceeds help provide bone marrow transplants to those in need.

Thursday, October 24 – For a special young person, a member of our community, in need.

Tuesday, October 30 – COSAC

- Center for Outreach and Services for the Autism Community