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Dear Families, Students, Faculty, and Staff,

We just want you to know that we hear you!

We would like to take this time to thank you for your patience, understanding, and open-mindedness as we continue to transition to our new uniform. As the dust settles, we are learning what works and what does not work.

To make this change less stressful and less expensive, we made some changes. The transition period has been extended to include the 2019-2020 school year. This means that we want our current families and new families that join us in the coming months to have time to acclimate to the new standards and requirements presented in 2018.

In addition, we are adjusting the new requirements for IHC K-6 uniform apparel. K-6 students may wear any brand khaki pant/short and any store-brand navy blue polo. Polos will still be required to have the logo, and over the summer we will restock the IHC logo iron-on patches for the elementary grades in time for the new school year.

In addition to these changes, blue oxford-style shirts may also be purchased by any brand as part of our new uniform policy for grades K-12. With that being said, we would like to remind you that blue oxford style shirts for K-6 should only be worn by girls under their jumpers, and polos are to be worn if a K-6 student is wearing khaki pants/shorts.

Therefore, the jumpers, skirts, cardigan sweaters, and fleece pullovers are required to be purchased from Tommy Hilfiger. Men's ties for grades 7-12 can be purchased in the high school Main Office for \$15 per tie. That's it.

If possible, when you are purchasing uniform items from other brands, try to choose shades that come very close to or are the same as Tommy Hilfiger. However, if you cannot, just do your best. In the end, we want all our students to look clean, neat, and as uniform as possible.

We also want to take this opportunity to inform you of updates we've received from Tommy Hilfiger ("TH"). After IHC chose to work with TH back in Spring 2018, a major uniform company shut down unexpectedly in the southern region of the United States. This uniform provider provided uniforms to ~2,000 schools in that area, leaving those schools stranded to find new uniform providers. Tommy Hilfiger took on a number of those new accounts in addition to IHC. As they strive to regulate production and inventory, it came with some hurdles that they have worked very hard to overcome.

Amanda has been working with our representatives at Tommy Hilfiger and has scheduled a try-on period from March 11th until April 8th to get the full range of sizes and items for grades K-12. We currently have size runs for K-6 Jumpers, 7-12 skirts, K-6 polos, K-12 oxford-style shirts, and pants. These items will be at the high school building to try on.

Thank you again for your patience and understanding as we evolve and complete the transition of becoming one school with one uniform.

Sincerely,

IHC Administration Team