

Ethical and “No Sweat” Resource List for School Orders

These are Canadian suppliers from which other garment companies purchase. They all meet the “No Sweat” criteria, and most are unionized. Ask for these suppliers when ordering from a silk screening, embroidery or custom design company (like those below this section).

Company Name and Website	Details
Athletic Knit http://www.athleticknit.com	Strictly sportswear/ team uniforms; union made, Canadian company Order directly
Canadian Union Apparel http://www.canadianunionapparel.com	T-shirts, sports shirts, fleece, etc.; union made Order through silk-screen companies
Canadian Union Promotions http://www.cupromotions.ca	Specialize in Union made promotional products.
Cavan Advertising Ltd. http://www.cavanadv.com	Canadian made promotional goods and services.
Ethical Soles http://www.ethicalsoles.ca	Footwear, tops and bottoms; Sells to individuals and groups
Gildan http://www.gildan.com	Supplier of t-shirts, shirts, sweaters, etc.; union made Order through silk-screen companies
King Fashions http://www.kingfashions.com	100% Made in Canada; sweatshop free Order through silk-screen companies
MWG Apparel http://www.mwgapparel.com	Mostly hats, jackets and corporate wear; union made Order directly
Peerless http://www.peerless.mb.ca/about.htm	Mostly jackets; union made; Order directly
Union Pro Sportswear Inc. http://www.unionpro@rogers.com	Specialize in Union made women’s and misses outerwear.
Union Wear Canada http://www.unionwear.ca	Shirts, jackets, hats, etc.; 100% union made. Order directly

These are Canadian companies that do custom silk screening or embroidery for bulk orders. While not necessarily unionized, they use unionized suppliers, such as those mentioned above.

Kitsilano T-Shirt Express http://www.kitstshirtexpress.com 604-733-1402	Based in Vancouver; Carries Gildan, American Apparel (%100 union-made/ Made in USA), King Fashions
Sanmar Canada http://www.sanmarcanada.com 1-800-668-0899	Mississauga office; Carries Gildan, King Fashions
Techno Sport http://www.technosport.com 1-800-856-1198	Woodbridge office; Carries Gildan, King Fashions
Westmount Distributors http://www.westmountdist.on.ca 1-800-461-4906	London office; Carries Gildan, King Fashions

The following websites and resources contain additional information about the “No Sweat” Campaign and the garment industry:

<http://en.maquilasolidarity.org/> - Labour and women's rights organization that supports the efforts of workers in global supply chains to win improved wages and working conditions and a better quality of life. Includes current news, campaign tools, sample policy statements and a comprehensive FAQ section

<http://www.commonthreads.ca/> - an OSSTF initiated website

<http://sweatshop.clc-ctc.ca/> - Canadian Labour Congress' Stop Sweatshop Abuses site. Includes downloadable posters, comics, campaign information and guidebooks

<http://www.playfair2008.org/> - Global website providing information on the campaign to address the unfair labour practices in the sporting goods industry that supplies the Olympic teams. Includes FAQ, information, downloadable campaign materials and an online petition

<http://www.unitehere.ca/> - Website of the Union of Needletrades, Industrial and Textile Employees. Includes news on current labour issues and strikes, and links to unionized garment producers

<http://www.videa.ca> - Victoria International Development Educator's Association. Includes great resources for teaching about trade, human rights and other related global issues

