

SAINT MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

2008 - 2009

OBJECTIVES OF SCHOOL UNIFORM AND DRESS CODE

- ♦ To maintain the businesslike atmosphere of a school by requiring certain standards of dress.
- ♦ To reduce cost and competition relating to clothing so that all students, regardless of economic background, may attend Saint Mary School and experience each other as equals.
- ♦ To assist in developing a school spirit and pride.
- ♦ To eliminate confusion over dress code requirements by simplifying and standardizing clothing requirements for all students.

Dress Code and Uniform

Kindergarten – Grade 5

WARM WEATHER UNIFORM:

Beginning of the school year until/including September 30th and from May 1st until the end of the school year.

- **Walking Shorts:** navy in color; knee length. No cargo, carpenter, or trendy type shorts, regardless of color. No oversized shorts. Pants must fit waist and inseam. Shorts must be at fingertip length. Waistbands must be worn at the waistline.

Shirts: white or light blue – oxford, polo (no cap sleeves, not to exceed 4 buttons), turtleneck; short or long sleeve. Dress shirts need a top button at the neck, which does not need to be buttoned except when wearing a tie.
- **Socks:** solid white or solid navy blue. Socks must be worn and be visible. Socks should not have logos.
- **Shoes:** tennis shoes permitted as long as they do not make black marks on the tile or gym floors. No sandals, clogs, roller shoes or platform shoes. All shoes must have backs. Laces must be tied.

Please Note:

Students may wear the regular school uniform during the warm weather if they prefer.

GYM CLASS – 5th GRADE: NO tank tops. Tee shirts with sleeves can be worn with NO improper logos/wording. Gym shorts with elastic waistband should be worn.

APPEARANCE AND GROOMING:

- (1) Nail Polish: Clear or light shades. (2) Haircuts and styles: No distracting haircuts or styles. No hair extensions.
- (3) Jewelry: Earrings- one pair of post only. A single simple necklace, chain, or single wrist bracelet are acceptable.
- (4) All Shirts and Blouses must be tucked into skirts or pants at all times.
- (5) Dark belts are required for all students in grades 2-5, if pants have belt loops. NO metal on belts except for buckle.
- (6) No tattoos - permanent or temporary.

The Principal reserves the right to make decisions with regards to the above dress code, appearance and grooming guidelines.

REGULAR SCHOOL UNIFORM

October 1st - April 30th

- **Pants: navy pants:** polyester, twill or dress corduroy; plain or pleated front; no designer labels. No cargo, carpenter, or trendy type pants. Oversized pants are not permitted. Waist and inseam must fit the student. Waistbands must be worn at the waistline.

Shirts: white or light blue; oxford, polo (no cap sleeves, not to exceed 4 buttons), turtleneck; long or short sleeve. Dress shirts need a top button at the neck, which does not need to be buttoned except when wearing a tie.
- **Sweaters:** red (purchased from Schoolbelles only), white or navy: crew, cardigan, pullover or vest: No designs, monograms, hoods, or decorative buttons. A white or light blue collared shirt must be worn beneath the sweater.
- **Sweatshirts:** red or blue (navy or royal) Saint Mary sweatshirts can be worn in place of sweaters in the classroom; white or light blue collared shirts must be worn beneath the sweatshirt.
- **Jumper:** Must be ordered from Schoolbelles. Grade 4, the transitional year in which girls may wear either the jumper or the uniform skirt.
- **Socks:** solid white or solid navy blue. Socks must be worn and be visible. Socks should not have logos.
- **Shoes:** tennis shoes permitted as long as they do not make black marks on the tile or gym floors. No sandals, clogs, roller shoes or platform shoes. All shoes must have backs. Laces must be tied.