

DRESS CODE / UNIFORM POLICY

While in school, students need to be focused on their job of learning. Uniforms help that focus by eliminating distractions and competition. Please help us by ensuring your student is properly dressed before they head out the door for school. Thank you for your support.

ALL STUDENT UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS: Grades K-6 - *Please label ALL articles of clothing with the student's name.*

- **Tops -**

- Red, white, light blue, or navy polo shirts are to be worn by students. Long sleeves are an option for the cooler temperature months. Polos must be cotton or athletic wicking material.
- Red or navy sweatshirts or fleeces with the St. John's School logo can be worn.
- Red, light blue, navy, or white sweaters are acceptable.
- Red, white, light blue, and navy turtlenecks may be worn. Also, knit placket collared shirts.
- All tops must be -
 - Plain with no design or contrasting colors
 - Tucked in at all times
 - Worn with white undershirts only

- **Accessories -**

- Belts are optional. If worn, they must be plain brown, black or navy. Waistband of the pants must be worn at the waist.
- Hats are not to be worn inside the building.
- No temporary tattoos.
- Plain, single colored socks must be worn with the school uniform.
 - Socks must be visible and matching.
 - No socks with large logos or designs.

- **Shoes -**

- Shoes should be sturdy, flat, and have backs on them. Tennis shoes are preferred as students will be playing outside and in gym class.
- For safety reasons, the following types of shoes are NOT allowed at St. John's School -
 - platform shoes/shoes with heels
 - sandals/flip flops
 - clogs/backless shoes ex. CROCS
 - short or tall boots ex. UGGs
 - light-up or flashing shoes

- **Seasonal - May thru September**

- Students can wear navy blue shorts. Shorts must be worn at finger-tip length or longer. and made of cotton and/or polyester.
 - This **EXCLUDES** pull-on styles, cargo shorts, knits, denim, athletic, or biker shorts.

GIRL UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS: Grades K-6

- **Tops -**
 - White blouses must be plain with no design, or trim of contrasting color.
 - Blouses can have a Peter Pan collar or Oxford collar.
- **Bottoms -**
 - Plaid jumpers, skorts, or skirts may be worn.
 - Students can also wear navy blue skirts or skorts.
 - Shorts must be worn underneath skirts and jumpers. White, navy, or black tights or leggings must be worn under skirts and jumpers October thru April.
 - Jumpers, skorts, and skirts must be worn at finger-tip length or longer..
 - Navy cotton, corduroy, twill, or dress pants are acceptable.
 - This **EXCLUDES** pants made of denim, carpenter styles, or athletic/leisure wear. Also, no stirrups, draw-strings, cargo pants, zip at the knee pants, leggings, or knits.
- **Accessories -**
 - Students may wear one ring, a single bracelet, a watch that has no smart technology capabilities, a religious medal or cross necklace, and small post earrings for pierced ears.
 - No makeup or fake nails are to be worn.
 - Girls may wear simple clips, scrunchies, bows, or headbands in their hair. As long as they are not distracting to students, they may be worn.

BOY UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS: Grades K-6

- **Bottoms -**
 - Navy cotton, corduroy, twill, or dress pants are acceptable.
 - This **EXCLUDES** pants made of denim, carpenter styles, athletic/leisure wear. Also, no stirrups, pants with draw-strings, cargo pants, or zip at the knee pants.
- **Accessories -**
 - Students may wear one ring, a single bracelet, a watch that has no smart technology capabilities, a religious medal or cross necklace/chain.

ALL STUDENT HAIR CODE:

- Hairstyles on both girls and boys should be **neat, not distracting, and not extreme.**
- Dyeing or highlighting of the hair is not permissible for school.
- Beads and feathers are NOT to be worn in the hair.
- Shaved designs or lines in boys' hair are not permitted.
- Boy's hair should be cut short, up off the collar, and above the tops of ears.
 - **Final say as to the appropriateness of hairstyles will be left to the judgment of the school administration.**

DRESS DOWN/OUT OF UNIFORM DRESS REQUIREMENTS: Grades K-6

- Students may wear jeans (that are not ripped/torn), sweatpants, joggers, or athletic bottoms.
- Shorts, jumpers, skorts, and skirts must be worn at finger-tip length or longer.
- Girls may NOT wear leggings or yoga pants unless worn underneath a dress or skirt.
- Sweatshirts and t-shirts should not say anything that would be considered inappropriate.
- No tank tops are to be worn.
- No spaghetti straps, or halter tops are allowed.
- Loungewear or sleepwear is not acceptable.
- Shoes have the same standards as uniform days.
- Make-up, hair accessories, and jewelry rules still apply on out-of-uniform days.

GYM ATTIRE: 4th-6th Grade

- T-shirt tops and gym shorts are preferred. T-shirts with unobtrusive and inoffensive logos and writing are acceptable.
- Shorts should be worn at finger-tip length or longer. and gym appropriate.
- Gym shoes should be designed for courts, cross-training, or running; no cleats, dress, or flashing type shoes are allowed.
- Physical Education may be held outside and students are expected to bring weather appropriate attire.
 - **Proper attire will be determined by the school administration.**
 - **Due to safety issues, students without gym shoes will not be allowed to participate.**

WINTER WEAR:

- Warm coats, hats, boots and mittens/gloves should be worn when winter-time temperatures arrive (if there is any ground cover of snow/ ice or freezing temperatures).
- Snow pants are not required, but are necessary to play on playground equipment and in snow covered areas. If students are not wearing snow pants, they will have to stay on the snow cleared areas of the blacktop.
- When snow is present on the ground, ALL students are required to wear outdoor winter boots if they are to play in snow covered areas.

Links to School Uniform website:

- School Belles - <https://www.schoolbelles.com/>
 - School Code: **S0672**

Dress Code Infraction Consequences

First Offense

- A Dress Code Reminder slip will be sent home with the student. The slip must be signed by a parent/guardian and returned to school the next school day.

Second Offense

- The student will be required to change into a uniform top and/or bottom provided by the school.

Continued Dress Code Violations

- Students who continue to wear uniform skirts or shorts that do not meet the required length or pants that are not dress code, after the above corrective actions have been taken will be required to wear uniform pants for the remainder of the school year.
- Students who wear skirts or shorts that do not meet the required length on dress-down days will be required to wear pants on all future dress-down days for the remainder of the school year.

St. John Elementary School has the right to make changes to any policies it deems necessary during the course of the school year. Updates to this handbook will be given to all registered and enrolled families.