

Dress Code

John Paul II Academy strives to create a school environment effective for learning. We observe a dress code to achieve this objective. Along with promoting school identity, the school uniform emphasizes the importance of school in a student's life, where expectations of appearance and achievement exist. The dress code includes the school uniform, along with guidelines for out-of-uniform days.

Students are expected to wear neat, untorn and clean clothes. Shirts are to be tucked in at all times. Clothes must fit appropriately, not being too large or too small.

Girls:

Skirts (grades 4-8): red and navy woodland plaid

Jumpers (grades 5K-5): red and navy woodland plaid

Skorts (4/1-10/31): navy blue or khaki

Girls and Boys:

Uniform style pants: navy blue or khaki

Uniform style shorts (4/1-10/31): navy blue or khaki

Uniform polo with school logo (long or short sleeve): navy blue or red**

Uniform sweatshirts with school logo with uniform polo underneath: navy blue or red

Track jackets with school logo (junior high students only): navy blue or red

Sweaters worn with uniform polo underneath (vests, cardigans and pullovers are ok; no logo required): navy blue or red

Shoes: closed toe athletic or dress flat shoes

Socks: navy, white or black

Hair: neat, clean, natural and not extreme

Make-up: nail polish

Jewelry: single set of stud earrings

Please use good judgment regarding whether clothing is appropriate. The principal has final discretion with respect to all uniform questions or concerns. Parents may be contacted to bring correct clothing to school should a child come to school out of uniform. Detentions may be issued for violations of the dress code.

Additional Uniform Policies:

Game Days

Students who participate in school athletics may wear their athletic jersey or uniform on the date of a game in which they will be playing/participating. Students must wear appropriate attire below the waist on these days.

Gym Uniform (grades 4-8)

Students may be required to change for participation in physical education. Gym uniforms should consist of a t-shirt or sweatshirt, and shorts or sweatpants. The “fingertip” test for gym shorts will be followed. Deodorants may be brought to school, but the use of body sprays is not allowed.

Scout Uniform

Students may wear their scout uniform on meeting days. However, if only the uniform top is worn, students are expected to wear uniform pants.

Out-of-Uniform/Jeans Days

Out of uniform days are offered throughout the year and are organized by the staff and principal. These days may serve many purposes, including to recognize a birthday or special event, or to reward good behavior or academic achievement. Students in inappropriate clothing will be asked to change or call home.

Warm Weather Uniform

The warm weather uniform is in effect from the beginning of the school year to October 31st, and April 1st to the end of the school year. The time period for warm weather uniforms may be adjusted at the discretion of the principal. Please use your best judgment about the weather when sending your child to school.

Winter Weather

When snow is on the ground, students are expected to wear boots. It is difficult to maintain cleanliness in the classrooms when students’ school shoes are also worn outside in the snow. Students that do not bring boots to school will be required to stay along the wall where there is little snow.

** A solid navy, red or white long sleeve shirt is allowed to be worn under a short sleeve polo.