



DRESS CODE

Dress Code Philosophy

Children's actions directly reflect their appearance. Therefore, we ask our students to observe a standard of dress appropriate for a Christian learning environment. Conceptually, it is the school's goal for the student to maintain an appearance that is conducive to learning and to reflect good self-discipline, yet also to incorporate a flexibility that allows the individual some freedom for self-expression. In an effort to adhere to this policy, the principal and faculty are obliged to interpret and enforce the policy as approved by the pastor.

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There is appropriate attire for different occasions: for church, for school, for work, and for play.

Students are expected to come to school appropriately dressed and groomed. This is primarily the responsibility of the student and parents/guardians. Since appropriate is such a broad term, we ask that the students follow these codes.

- **Girls** may wear dresses, skirts, blouses, sweaters, dress slacks, jeans, shorts, skorts, sweatshirts, and t-shirts. Legging will be allowed as long as the child's bottom is completely covered. The jeans or slacks should not have holes or be frayed. The shorts, skirts, dresses, and skorts should not be of the short-short style (if you put your arms at your side, shorts, skirts, dresses and shorts should be no shorter than your fingertips). Shoulder straps should not be narrower than one inch.
- **Boys** may wear dress pants, jeans, shorts, dress shirts, sweaters, sweatshirts, and t-shirts. The jeans or pants should not have any holes or be frayed. The shorts should not be of the short-short style.
- **School Spirit days** will be each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. School spirit clothing consists of polo shirts, polo dresses, sweatshirts, and sweaters purchased through the school. They have our logo printed on them. All items with the school logo must be purchased through the school. Navy school spirit shirts must be worn on all field trips.
- The only shirts, pants, and shorts that will be allowed are those that are without pictures or printing on them.

- No athletic wear is allowed.
- It is suggested that students wear collared shirts under sweaters and sweatshirts.
- **Mass Day** is a special. School Spirit clothing is required and shorts will not be allowed at Mass. Children may change after Mass into clothes that follow the dress code and the school spirit day requirements.
- **Tennis shoes** are required for participation in physical education classes. For safety reasons, no open-toe or open-heel shoes should be worn for physical education.

Administration of the Dress Code

It is desirable that teachers and administrators spend their time teaching and administrating not enforcing the dress code policy. Therefore, parent/guardian support and management of this policy is expected.

Students who do not adhere to the dress code will experience the following steps to correct the problem:

1. At the first occurrence, a warning will be given to the student and a note will be sent home to the parents.
2. If the situation is not remedied after a warning is issued, the school will verbally notify the parents.

Students who do not adhere to the dress code will be subject to disciplinary action per the Student Conduct policy.

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Dress Code Contract

I have read the St. John's School Dress Code. My signature below and that of my parent(s), means that I agree to follow the dress code at St. John's School. Please return this completed form by September 15 of the current school year.

Student signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent signature: _____ Date: _____

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