

## **DRESS CODE**

An established dress code at St. Joseph Catholic School promotes a positive learning environment through neat and tidy appearance as well as minimal distraction to the daily instructional atmosphere. Students are expected to abide by the dress code policy. Students who choose to not abide by the dress code policy will not be admitted to class until the proper uniform attire is brought to him/her at school. Wearing the adopted school uniform from the Dennis uniform company is required. Certain days will be designated as "Fun Wear" and "Free Dress." On those days, students should refer to the designated paragraph listed below. If these uniform regulations are to succeed, it will take the combined effort of students, parents, and school personnel to see to it that every child comes to school in the proper uniform. The principal will have discretion in all questions pertaining to the students' dress code.

**Items marked with an \* must be purchased from Dennis Uniform Company.** *Any items previously purchased from Dennis uniform company that are different from what is listed below are not allowed.* **Please print the student's name in all articles of clothing worn to school.**

Uniform sweaters, sweatshirts, fleece jackets and vests are available through the Dennis uniform company. These are the only outerwear garments permitted to be worn in the classrooms during school hours.

### **3K and 4K**

Children must be dressed "to play" each day. Dancing, running, jumping, painting, playing outside, and sitting on the floor are all a part of learning in preschool. Students must wear comfortable clothing and tennis shoes. Students should not wear sleeveless shirts, shirts that expose their midriff, one-piece rompers, boots, or sandals. Any dresses or skirts should be worn with shorts underneath. It is important to dress your child in clothing that is easy for them to pull up and down such as elastic waist pants so that they can use the restroom independently. Please be mindful of the length of both shorts and dresses as surfaces on the playground (slides, swings, seating, etc.) may get hot during the warmer temperatures.

Outside play is very important at this age. Children should be dressed, with seasonal appropriate clothing, including jackets in the winter. Please label all outerwear with a name. Rain jackets are part of the school supply list, so that type of jacket is not necessary on a daily basis.

### **Grades K through Fifth**

#### **BOYS**

##### **Summer Uniform**

\*Polo Shirts (red or navy blue with logo)\*Shorts (khaki)

##### **Winter Uniform**

\*Polo Shirts (red or navy blue with logo; long or short sleeve)\*Khaki slacks (may be worn anytime)

#### **GIRLS:**

##### **Summer Uniform**

\*Polo Shirts (red or navy with logo)\*Shorts ( khaki)\*Skort (khaki)\*Plaid Jumper (knee length)\* White or Yellow Blouse (long or short sleeve)\*Polo Dress (red or navy)

##### **Winter Uniform**

\* Plaid Jumper (knee length)/ \* White or Yellow Blouse (long or short sleeve)\* Khaki Slacks (may be worn anytime) / \*Polo Shirts (red or navy with logo)

If girls prefer to wear shorts under their skirts, the short must be appropriate length for PE but must not extend past skirt length.

### **Junior High Grades Sixth through Eighth**

#### **BOYS**

##### **Summer Uniform**

\*Polo Shirts (red or navy with logo)/ \*Walking Shorts (khaki)

##### **Winter Uniform**

\*Oxford Button-Down Shirts (blue or white; long or short sleeve)/ \*Polo Shirts (red or navy with logo)/ \*Khaki Slacks (may be worn anytime)

#### **GIRLS**

##### **Summer Uniform**

\*Polo Shirts (red or navy with logo)/ \*Walking Shorts (khaki)/ \*Navy/White Plaid Skirt

##### **Winter Uniform**

\*Oxford Button-Down Shirt (white or blue; long or short sleeve) \*Polo Shirts (red or navy with logo)/ \*Navy/White Plaid Skirt -- \*Khaki Slacks

Girls must wear shorts under their skirts. The short must be appropriate length for PE but must not extend past skirt length.

#### **\*Dress Code Guidelines- All students**

- Wrist watches may be worn.
  1. Smart watches may only be used to tell time. Students may not text or communicate using these devices
- Extreme coloring and bleaching of hair with non-natural colors or patterns is not permitted.
- Belts must be worn with all shorts/pants (black, navy blue, brown or tan).
- Blouses and shirts are to be worn tucked in except on “Fun-Wear” days.
- Blue jeans on Fun Wear days may not have holes that expose skin or be heavily distressed. Blue jean shorts are not permissible for boys or girls.
- No visible tattoos of any kind
- Uniforms and Fun Wear must not be faded, stained, or have any holes.
- Only Dennis uniform jackets are permitted in the classrooms. Other jackets may be worn outside to recess.
- Tennis shoes must be worn by students in 3K-8th grade. They may not have wheels or have flashing lights.
- T-shirts worn under shirts and blouses must be white with no inscriptions or logos and cannot hang out under the short sleeve of the shirts and blouses. Also, turtlenecks are not allowed.
- Pants/shorts must be belted securely at the waist; no bagging or sagging.

#### **\*Dress Code Guidelines- Girls**

- Bracelets, and rings should be minimal, and necklaces should be small and not distracting;

- Girls may wear one small, pierced, post earring that does not dangle; ear clips or gauges are not allowed.
- Body piercing of any kind other than the ears is prohibited
- Nail polish, if worn, must be pastel pink in nature, no iridescent or bold colors. No fake nails.
- The girls in junior high may wear minimal make-up only.
- No scarves should be worn in hair. Headbands should not be distracting.
- Girls may wear white ankle socks, white or navy knee socks, white or navy tights; no combinations, no leggings.
- Skirts cannot be shorter than 2 ½ inches (width of a dollar bill) above the knee.

#### **\*Dress Code Guidelines- Boys**

- Hair must be neat and must remain out of eyes without assistance. Hair length cannot extend over the collar. Body piercings are not permitted including ears.
- Socks- Boys must wear white crew socks, or white/black sport socks with shorts. **No colored socks are allowed.**

#### **Free Dress**

- Clothing should be neat. No worn, frayed, torn or soiled clothing.
- Clothing may not contain messages that are not in keeping with the teaching of our faith.
- No short shorts. Short length must be no shorter than 2 inches above the knee. No spaghetti straps or tank tops.
- Skirt length must be within two and a half inches from the knee.
- Gym shoes

School related events, such as graduation and dances, will have dress code requirements provided to the student before the event.

#### **Uniform Infractions**

A uniform infraction log will be kept in each classroom and for **every third uniform infraction a child incurs he/she will be assigned to after-school detention and will lose their fun wear dress privilege for the next scheduled occurrence.** Continued infractions could result in other disciplinary action.