



ST. JOSEPH
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

DRESS CODE

FOR ST JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS

Dress Code - from the Parent/Student Handbook

The physical appearance of students should reflect the standards of excellence expected of students at St. Joseph Catholic School. These rules of dress help foster a positive school environment. The dress code will be implemented from the first day of school. Students not meeting the uniform requirements on any given day, will be issued a "Uniform Reminder Notice" that will be sent home to parents and a copy will be given to the principal. Notice to the parents will be required to be signed and returned the next school day. Repeated uniform violations may result in a parent/teacher/principal conference and possible disciplinary action.

Any interpretation of the guidelines is at the discretion of the Administrator.

1. All uniform pieces designated Dennis Uniform must be from that uniform company. (See uniform chart in the pages to follow.) In the classroom, students may wear the St. Joseph Catholic School sweatshirt, which can be ordered using the form in the school office, and fleece jackets/vests which are dark navy in color. NO LOGOS other than the Dennis Uniform logo, other colors, or brand names may be on the fleece. Dennis Uniform fleece is the model for comparison and fleece colors for items not from Dennis must match the Dennis fleece. Other types of coats, jackets, and sweatshirts, including CYO sweatshirts, may be worn outside as needed, **but may not be worn in the classroom.**
2. All clothing must be the correct size and fit properly. Skirts, dresses, skorts, and shorts should be no more than 3" above the knee. If the uniform pieces become more than 3" above the knee, the item must be lengthened or replaced. **Shirts and blouses must be worn tucked in at the waist at all times.** Clothing and shoes must be neat, clean, and in good repair.
3. Belts must be worn in grades 5-8 *if* pants have belt loops. Belts will be plain with no enhancements (no studded belts) and must be worn through the belt loops. Acceptable colors of belts are black, brown, or navy. Belt loops may not be cut from pants. If loops are removed, new pants must be acquired.
4. Only the shoes described below are allowed: **(Call the school if you have questions)**
 - a. Shoes must be matching, closed-toed, closed back, and have no more than a 1" heel. Examples of closed-toe shoes are tennis shoes, athletic shoes, shoes with non-skid, non-marking soles.
 - b. The primary color of shoes will be white, navy, gray, brown, black, or red. The shoe can have one secondary trim color.

- c. Shoes with laces must have laces that match the primary shoe color (not the colorful shoe trim) or be white.
 - d. Shoes with laces must be correctly, securely, and tightly tied at all times.
 - e. Shoes may not have patterns (plaid, stripes, checks, flowers, glitter, sparkles, etc.) of any kind.
 - f. All shoes will be free of writing other than the brand name.
 - g. All shoes must fit correctly and safely stay on the foot.
 - h. Sandals, boots, and shoes with wheels or lights are not allowed.
5. Socks must be **crew socks** (those that have 4-6 inches of ribbing) **or 1/4 socks** (those that have at least one inch of ribbing) **not low cut/no show/ankle socks**, and comply with the colors listed in the uniform chart and be one solid color. Tights or knee-high socks may be worn as listed in the uniform table – a small logo is acceptable. Leggings may be worn with the uniform if socks cover the bottom of the leggings, tights of the uniform color shown below are allowed.
6. Non-uniform outerwear may not be worn in the classroom.
7. No hats or bandanas may be worn during the school day.
8. General Appearance:
- a. Overall appearance should be clean, neat, modest, and simple.
 - b. Make-up: 7th & 8th grade girls may wear minimal make-up. Minimal means a clear lip-gloss and mascara (no glitter). No eyeliner should be worn.
 - c. T-shirts worn under uniform shirts must be white in color with no writing.
 - d. Jewelry: All jewelry should be modest and simple. Colors must complement uniform colors. One pair of small earrings may be worn on the lower earlobe (no dangling earrings or hoops for safety). One bracelet at a time may be worn.
 - e. Hair must be combed, neat, and clean in appearance, and must be of a natural color (no stripes, designs, or distracting colors). Hairstyles deemed distracting by the administration are not appropriate. Boys' hair must be off the collar, above the eyebrows, and above the ears. Boys are expected to have proper hair length at all times. Girls' hair must be worn above the eyebrows (in front) or kept off the face with barrettes or a headband. During art classes, long hair must be pulled into a ponytail.
 - f. No body piercing other than the ear lobe.
 - g. No visible tattoos.
 - h. No writing on hands or body.
9. Physical Education uniforms for grades 5-8.
- a. P.E. uniform REQUIRED for students in grades 5-8.
 - b. P.E. uniforms must be purchased at Dennis Uniform.
 - c. Tennis shoes and athletic socks will be worn.
10. Non-Uniform Days/Dress Code
- a. On occasion students are granted non-uniform dress days or special "theme" days.

- b. Non-uniform dress will be at the discretion of the principal and the teacher.
 - c. All clothing must be clean, modest, and presentable.
 - d. The style, cut, and fabric of all clothing should be appropriate for the school environment.
 - e. Clothing that advertises drugs, alcohol, foul or obscene language, cult, satanic worship, rock groups, or any derogatory symbols are forbidden.
 - f. Acceptable clothing for non-uniform dress days:
 - 1) Pants or slacks (i.e. Dockers or chinos) or clean jeans. Sweat pants that are clean and fit appropriately.
 - 2) Dresses or skirts of appropriate length (no more than 3" above the knee when kneeling)
 - 3) Shorts of appropriate length such as walking shorts, no more than 3" above the knee.
 - 4) Athletic shorts must fit appropriately and may not sag or extend below the knee.
 - 5) T-shirts: plain or with appropriate advertising (see guidelines above).
 - 6) Shoes:
 - a. Shoe color is at the discretion of the student
 - b. Shoes must be matching, closed-toed, closed back, and have no more than a 1" heel. Examples of closed-toe shoes are tennis shoes, athletic shoes, and shoes with non-skid, non-marking soles.
 - c. Laces must be correctly, securely, and tightly tied at all times.
 - d. All shoes must fit correctly and safely stay on the foot.
 - e. Sandals and shoes with wheels or lights are not allowed.
 - f. Uggs and Ugg-like boots are allowed.
 - 7) Socks must be worn, and may be of any length or color
 - 8) All clothing must be of suitable fit for the school environment.
 - g. Unacceptable clothing for non-uniform dress days:
 - 1) Exposed midriffs: when arms are raised above the head, shirts must still cover the midriff.
 - 2) Low-neck, backless, spaghetti straps, strapless clothing, tank tops.
 - 3) Low-cut or yoga pants
 - 4) Shorts, pants, and shirts that are skin tight
11. Students are expected to follow the guidelines under Non-Uniform Dress Days for all school functions.

SCHOOL UNIFORM CHART

K-5 Girls	Navy	Red	White	Black	Hamilton Plaid
Dennis Pants	●				
Dennis Culottes or Skirt/Skort	●				●
Dennis Walking shorts	●				●
Dennis Jumper					●
Polo shirt or Blouse *			●		
Turtlenecks *			●		
Dennis Sweater or Vest		●			
Fleece Tops	●				
Socks/Tights	●	●	●	●	

K-5 Boys	Navy	Red	White	Black
Dennis Pants	●			
Dennis Walking shorts	●			
Polo shirt *			●	
Turtlenecks *			●	
Dennis Sweater or Vest		●		
Fleece Tops	●			
Socks	●		●	●

6-8 Girls & Boys	Navy	Khaki	White	Black
Dennis Pants		●		
Dennis Walking shorts		●		
Dennis Skirts/Skort (Girls)		●		
Dennis Polo shirts **	●			
Turtleneck **	●			
Fleece Tops	●			
Socks/Tights	●	●	●	●

** WHITE shirts do not have to be purchased from Dennis Uniform. However, they must be plain with no logo or trim and must be kept clean.

** 6th, 7th, & 8th grade NAVY polos and K-5 RED polos must be from Dennis Uniform, 105 SE Hawthorne Blvd, Portland, OR 97214. Phone: 1-800-854-6951, www.dennisuniform.com, St. Joseph school code: 58900