

DRESS CODE

PERSONAL APPEARANCE

St. Mary students are expected to dress modestly and display a neat appearance at all times. Hair should be well-groomed, not distracting, and appropriate for school. Make-up and other accessories (artificial fingernails, hair extensions, etc.) may not be worn in school. Students are not permitted to write on themselves. Jewelry, though not forbidden, must be appropriate for school. It should be small and inconspicuous, and not likely to be a distraction. The final decision as to what is and is not appropriate in regard to student attire rests with the principal.

UNIFORMS (K-8)

Sweater	Solid navy or white cardigan or pullover. May not be fleece or sweatshirt material.
Sweatshirt	Only the sweatshirt(s) available for purchase from PTC may be worn during school. 8th graders may also wear their class sweatshirts.
Slacks	Navy blue or tan/khaki dress pants. No denim, corduroy, stretch pants, pants with patches, cargo pockets or rivets. Pants should not be tight.
Shorts	Navy blue or tan/khaki uniform shorts. The length is above the knee, but long enough to be touched by the fingertips when one's hands are held at the side.
Shirts	These may be worn from Aug.-Nov. and March-May Undershirts – students may wear only white undershirts beneath their uniform shirts. Regular t-shirts are not permitted.
Belt	Belts are recommended to ensure that pants are worn at the waist. Must blend with pants/shorts if worn.
Shoes	Shoes which are appropriate for running and playing. No sandals or backless shoes are permitted. Shoes should be clean with tied shoestrings. Boots may not be worn.
Socks	Socks must be worn. They may not have distracting colors or styles.
Hair	All haircuts and styles must be deemed school appropriate. No unnatural colors or distracting styles (mohawks, etc.) permitted.
*Masks	To begin 2020-21, students must wear a cloth mask that is in good repair, stays in place, and covers the nose and mouth.

DRESS CODE (cont.)

BOYS	Shirt	Plain light blue/white polo style shirt.
	Hair	Hair must be no longer than one inch above the collar, above the eyebrows in front, not below the middle of the ear and kept neat and clean.
GIRLS	Shirt	Plain light blue/white polo style shirt.
	Jumper	Grades K-3: plaid uniform jumper
	Skort	Grades 4-8: plaid uniform skort. The length must be at least 3 inches below the fingertips when one's hands are held at the side and no longer than just below the knee.
	Leggings	Navy, black, gray, or white leggings or tights may be worn with the jumper or skort. They should extend to the socks.

When in uniform, blouses and shirts are to be neatly tucked. They should not be rolled over. Only the top button of the blouse or shirt may be unbuttoned. Uniform slacks should not be faded. Uniform clothing may be purchased from the Schoolbelles Company or from area stores that carry items that conform to the St. Mary School dress code.

All K-8 students are required to wear the appropriate uniform to school except on selected days.

Smart Watches are not permitted.

OUT-OF-UNIFORM DAYS (“DUDS DAYS”)

On designated days, students may come to school in casual clothes instead of the uniform. Students may come to school in denim pants as long as they are not torn or have holes in them. T-shirts may be worn. However, printed material on the t-shirt must be appropriate for school (no inappropriate or disrespectful wording or symbols, no references to tobacco, drugs, or alcohol). No tank tops or sleeveless shirts are permitted. Tights, yoga pants, etc. may not be worn unless covered by other items that are not form-fitting. Shorts may be worn on an out-of-uniform day if the day is within the time of year when uniform shorts are permitted. Shorts must be long enough to be touched by the fingertips when one's hands are held at the side.

DRESS CODE FOR PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLASS

Gym shoes are required for students in all grades.

Students in grades 4-8 are required to wear a gym uniform, which consists of blue or black gym shorts (of appropriate length) and a St. Mary or blue/gold t-shirt. On days when they have PE class, students in grades 4-8 may wear their gym uniforms for the entire day.

Students in grades K-3 are not required to change into gym clothes. However, girls who wear a jumper to school should wear shorts to PE class.

DRESS CODE NOTIFICATION

In the event of a minor violation of the dress code, a notification will be sent to the parents as an alert/warning. If this occurs, subsequent uniform violations will result in a behavioral violation.