

Dress Code Policy 2022-2023

In order to provide an environment that reflects our Catholic tradition, promotes respect for school and individuals, enhances self-esteem and develops good personal habits, the following Dress Code will be in effect. All clothing must fit properly – neither too tight nor too loose. Clothing may not be torn or frayed. Parents who are unable to afford to purchase appropriate uniform clothing for their children may inquire at the school office for assistance.

Educational Outfitters is the approved vendor for our school plaid – jumpers, skirts, and skorts. They are located in Lansing at 3323 West Saginaw. They also offer online shopping at www.educationaloutfitters.com. Our school code is: MI0941 for ordering online.

Parents are not required to purchase other school clothing through Educational Outfitters, however, the clothing should be identical in appearance (length, style and color). The uniform plaid is plaid #1404 and MUST be purchased through this company.

Jumper:	Uniform plaid or Solid (Navy or Khaki)	Grades DK-8
Skirt:	Uniform plaid or Solid (Navy or Khaki) Skirts must be longer than fingertip length	Grades DK-8
Skorts:	Uniform plaid or Solid (Navy or Khaki) Must be longer than fingertip length	Grades DK-8
Shorts/Capris:	Solid (Navy or Khaki) Should be walking length – close to knees, but definitely longer than the fingertips when arms are at sides.	Grades DK-8 Aug-Oct 15 th , after Spring Break-June only
Pants:	Solid (Navy or Khaki) Dress - Pleated or Flat front. Corduroy pants are acceptable. No stretch, yoga, dance, leggings (unless ankle length and worn under skirt or jumper), denim, carpenter, sweats/warm-up styles. All pants must provide enough coverage so that children may sit, stand, bend-over, play, etc. without skin showing at the waist.	Grades DK-8
Blouse/Shirt:	Solid Navy, White, Grey or Light Blue Polo or knit, boys' oxford style, turtleneck is acceptable. Peter pan collar may be worn under a jumper or with skirts. All blouses and shirts must be long enough to be tucked in and provide enough coverage so that children may sit, stand, bend-over, play, etc. without skin showing at the waist.	Grades DK-8
Sweater:	Solid Navy, Light Blue, Grey or White	Grades DK-8

V-neck, crew neck, cardigan and sweater vest are acceptable.
A collared shirt must be worn under the sweater.
Fleece/sweatshirt material is not acceptable.

Socks: Any color socks are allowed. Socks that are taller than ankle height, such as knee highs or mid-calf, should be white, navy, black, tan, or gray.

Tights, knee highs, ankle-length leggings (only when worn under a skirt or jumper) and nylons are acceptable. Leggings should follow the rule of taller socks in color (white, navy, black, or gray).

Shoes: Casual shoes and tennis shoes are acceptable.

Shoes must be unobtrusive and tied at all times.

No Sandals and no heels over an inch due to outdoor safety.

No Heelys, clogs or Crocs.

Fashion boots may be worn as long as they have a solid sole.

Outerwear boots may not be worn indoors.

Undergarments: Any undergarments that are visible through the uniform must be white.

Hair: Must be clean and neatly groomed: washed regularly and combed/brushed **each** day before school. All hair must be kept in natural colors, including highlights and lowlights.

- Boys' hair length must be above the eyebrows in the front, off the collar in the back, and no longer than the ear lobes on the sides. If boys wish to make the commitment to have longish hair, they must also commit to frequent haircuts to keep hair within the above ranges.
- Girls' who wish to have long hair must comb/brush hair daily as stated above, but should also be committed to wearing hair in a style that does not cover their eyes and is appropriate for play time in the gym or outside.

Jeans Days: There will be designated jeans days and spirit-wear days throughout the school year at which time students may wear other attire. Students may not wear torn or frayed clothing. Shirts with words or graphics must be appropriate for a Catholic school. Shirts must have sleeves. Athletic shorts, sweatpants, and warm-ups are not allowed. Skinny jeans, leggings or other tight fitting styles may not be worn unless covered by a tunic style blouse, skirt, jumper, etc.

Dress Code Violations

First Offense – Teacher or staff member will talk to the student about clothing.

Second Offense – A parent will be called to bring a change of clothes

Third Offense – The student will forfeit the next scheduled jeans day or an after-school detention will be served.

Any continued infractions will result in a principal, parent, and student meeting where a specific plan will be devised.

The Principal has final discretion for all issues regarding dress code and grooming.