

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The All Saints Catholic School Dress Code/Uniform Policy Committee met to review, discuss, research, and revise our current dress code/uniform policy. The committee reviewed all previous dress codes and discussed the pros and cons of each, as well as other schools' policies. We revised the current dress code/uniform policy, to go into full effect for the 2025-2026 school year. However, we would like to inform you of the changes now so that you have ample time to adjust and prepare. We would like to see these changes happen as soon as possible, even starting this year where possible. We do not expect everyone to go out and purchase new items now, but as your children are growing out of their current clothing, please use this policy when obtaining new items.

Dress Code/Uniform Policy

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All Saints Catholic School observes a dress code for the following reasons:

- promotes modesty
- supports uniformity and community
- reduces "clothing competition"
- equalizes economic diversity
- reduces peer pressure and social stigmas surrounding clothing and appearance
- places emphasis on learning, not clothing
- enhances school spirit
- facilitates security
- lowers long-term clothing costs
- supports neat and professional appearance
- allows for an All Saints Catholic School brand to show through, which promotes community

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DRESS CODE

"Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God?" (1 Corinthians 6:19) Therefore, "Your beauty should not come from outward adornment, such as braided hair and the wearing of gold jewelry and fine clothes. Instead, it should be that of your inner self, the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is of great worth in God's sight." (1 Peter 3:3-4)

General Notes:

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- Unless specified otherwise, all students in Grades K4-8 wear uniforms every school day, starting with the first day of school. Uniforms need to be neat and clean and fit appropriately.
- On the day school pictures are taken, children may wear other school appropriate dress-up clothes, if so desired.
- Anything not listed in the following dress code is prohibited. Anything that interferes with or disrupts the faithful, educational environment is unacceptable. The administration reserves the right to make the final decision about whether or not a student's attire complies with the dress code.
- Uniforms must be plain, with no branded logos such as Nike, Polo, Under Armour, etc.
- Consequences of not following the dress code may include:
 - receiving a RHID (Reminder of Honor, Integrity, and Discipline)
 - being given a change of clothes
 - o parents/guardians called and allowed to bring the expected uniform for their child.

GIRLS UNIFORM	BOYS UNIFORM
Shirts: White or Red	Shirt: White, or Red
Collared Blouse, Oxford, Polo, or Turtleneck	Collared Oxford, Polo, or Turtleneck
 Long or short sleeves (no sleeveless) 	• Long or short sleeves (no sleeveless)
• Shirts worn underneath uniform shirts must be	• Shirts worn underneath uniform shirts must be
white and be tucked in-this includes tank tops.	white and be tucked in-this includes tank tops.
(Undergarments must not be visible.)	(Undergarments must not be visible.)
Sweaters: White or Red (plain, no large ruffles, frills	Sweaters: White or Red
or embellishments)	Cardigan
Cardigan	Pullover V-neck
Pullover V-neck	Pullover crew neck
Pullover crew neck	
	Shorts: Navy Blue (Khaki-Grades 6-8 only)
Jumpers, Skirts, Skorts or Shorts: Navy Blue	• Must be no shorter than 2 inches above the
(Khaki-Grades 6-8 only)	knee in length
• Jumpers, shorts, skirts, and skorts must be no	 No cut-offs or athletic-looking shorts
shorter than 2 inches above the knee in front	
and back	Pants: Navy Blue (Khaki-Grades 6-8 only)
No cut-offs	• No nylon/dryfit pants, sweatpants, or cargo
	pants, or jeggings (in other words, nothing that
Mesh Polo Dress	looks like jeans, jeggings or athletic wear)
• Red only, long or short sleeve with a length 2	
inches above the knee or longer in the front	Physical Education Clothing: 4th-8th grades only
and back	• ASCS Spiritwear t-shirt, any color (can be
	purchased through school or at uniform resale)
	• ASCS black athletic shorts (can be purchased
	through school)

 Pants or Capris: Navy Blue (Khaki-Grades 6-8 only) No nylon/dryfit pants, or shorts, sweatpants, cargo pants, ponte pants, or jeggings (in other words, nothing that looks like jeans, jeggings or athletic wear) 	
 Leggings or Tights: White or Navy Blue (full length or capri) Leggings may be worn only under a jumper, skirt, skort or dress 	
 <u>Physical Education Clothing: 4th-8th grades only</u> ASCS Spiritwear t-shirt, any color (can be purchased through school or at uniform resale) ASCS black athletic shorts (can be purchased through school) 	

Additional Uniform Information

Shoes and Socks

- All shoes must be closed toe, closed heel, and closed all the way around the foot. Sandals and crocs do not have a full closed heel, therefore they may not be worn.
- o Slipper type shoes are not allowed. (ex. Tasman Uggs)
- \circ Shoes must have non-marking soles.
- Shoes having laces must be appropriately tied at all times.
- Visible, solid colored socks must be navy, white, red, gray, or black.

• <u>Uniform Approved ASCS Spirit Wear (may be worn daily):</u>

- Dri-fit Polo Shirts with logo (red or white)
- Hooded and crew neck sweatshirts with logo (red or white)
- Quarter Zip sweatshirt with logo (red or white)
- Track Jackets with logo (Middle School only)
- Fleece Jackets with logo (red only)
- Fleece Vests with logo

• <u>Uniform Approved ASCS Spirit Wear (Fridays and Game days):</u>

- Athletic Spirit Wear
- Any items purchased through our ASCS orders or at Gala events

• **<u>Physical Education Clothing: 4th-8th grades only:</u>**

• THIS IS NEW FOR 2025-26: Students will wear black shorts (purchased through school) and any color spirit wear shirt for PE class. Order form for shorts will be sent via email during the summer and be available at packet pick up. Shorts will be \$10.00. There will be limited shorts on hand to buy, so please order them ahead. Spiritwear shirts can be bought also through the order form if needed.

<u>Special Free Dress Days</u>

- The school calendar will show the days for "free dress". **Any half days are "free dress" days.** Any other special "free dress" days will be announced to students in advance of the day.
- Students may have "free dress" on their birthdays or on the day closest to their birthday if it falls on a weekend or a Mass day. Students who have summer birthdays may have "free dress" on their half birthday.

On free dress days, all clothing should be appropriate for school. No sleeveless tops, ragged blue jeans, pajama pants, jeans with holes or tights underneath, or skin-tight clothing may be worn. T-shirts may not have inappropriate messages and/or pictures. Leggings are ONLY allowed under a skirt, dress, not as a stand-alone pant. Tops which expose the mid-section are not allowed. Shorts must be 2 inches above the knee in front and back, or longer length. All private body areas must be covered.

Other Dress Code Regulations

- Winter jackets/coats may not be worn in school.
- Caps and hats may not be worn in school unless the principal has granted permission.
- Earrings may not exceed the size of a dime. No other body piercing and / or visible tattoos are permitted.
- Nail polish is permitted. No other makeup is allowed including lip gloss.
- Extreme hairstyles and colors are not permitted. Hair must be a natural color. Bangs should allow full vision. No hair tinsel or clip-ins. The principal/dean shall make the judgment of appropriateness.
- o All clothing must fit appropriately, not overly tight. Please buy the correct size for your child with some room to grow.

Please remember that retail companies may list something as "uniform" but that does not necessarily mean it will pass as being acceptable as an ASCS uniform. Retailers list many items that would not meet our uniform code. You will also have to try them on to know if they are the correct length, and allow room for growth and shrinkage. Here are some pictures to help you, especially with lengths. Shorts, skirts, skorts, dresses and jumpers need to be no shorter than 2 inches above the knee or longer in the front *and* back. Sometimes they creep up in the back, depending on the size, so be sure to take a look at your rearview. Sometimes after washing fabrics can be wrinkled up and are shorter, so keep that in mind too. Leggings may be worn under skirts, but the skirt still has to be the appropriate length.

See next page for pictures showing acceptable and unacceptable items:

The pictures below show examples of <u>acceptable</u> bottoms:



The pictures below show examples of <u>unacceptable</u> bottoms:











