Saint Christine Dress Code 2025-2026

At Saint Christine School, our students dress in a manner that is conducive to educational excellence. We value the high standards by which we teach and learn. Our uniform dress code for students reflects a common commitment to present our very best selves while taking pride in our school's identity. Our appearance during the school day reflects our belief that the educational experience is important and valuable; it is worthy of "looking our best." Our common dress code helps to focus student's attention on communal identity, commitment to academic excellence and the importance of discipline in developing character through faith. A student's ability to adhere to a common dress code helps to reinforce behaviors of character that will only grow more apparent as the child matures into a world of more common codes of behavior and etiquette that require self-discipline and personal commitment.

School Uniform Directives

It is our goal at Saint Christine School to have a uniform that is simple, affordable, neat and practical. With a standard dress code for students, we hope to showcase their personality not by what they wear, but rather through their personality, talents and diverse abilities. All are invited to partner together to create a culture where students do not need to fear being judged by appearances. Our dress code is most successful when parents monitor how children leave for school and our staff members enforce our common code and standard when students arrive. Consistency and conscientiousness in following the standards and regulations stated in the Dress Code are required.

If there is a time when the prescribed uniform cannot, for a legitimate reason, be worn, a note from the parent/guardian must be written to the principal. Students who are out of uniform without this excuse will be issued a dress code violation.

All Saint Christine School uniforms may be purchased through Schoolbelles.com School Code S0461

BOYS' UNIFORMS (Grades K-6)

Boys are to wear **NAVY BLUE** uniform style dress pants **ONLY**. Cargo pants are not permitted. <u>Pants with elastic around the ankles are not permitted</u>. Uniform shorts may be worn in August, September, October, April, May and June. **These shorts must be navy blue and be 2-3** inches above the knee. Belts should be worn if pants/shorts come with belt loops. Boys may wear white, light blue, maroon, dark green or black (no navy for K-6) dress shirts or knit shirts (Polo shirts). The shirts are to be solid in color with no emblems or brand logos. Shirts must be fully tucked in at all times and buttoned the entire length of the shirt except for the top button. No student is permitted to wear under armor or spandex shirts under uniform shirts. Boys' T-shirts worn under the uniform shirt are to be solid white with no lettering or pictures of any kind.

BOYS' SHOES (Grades K-8)

Regular tennis shoes can be worn during the school day. Any color. Shoes should not make black marks on floors and must be tied or Velcro closure. Light up shoes, sandals, slides, boots, Birkenstocks, Hey Dudes, or Crocs (any design) are not permitted.

GIRLS' UNIFORMS (Grades K-4)

Girls in Grades K-4 are to wear St. Christine plaid or navy uniform jumpers, skirts, or uniform skorts. Uniform slacks must be in solid navy blue only. Belts should be worn if pants come with belt loops. No cargo, stirrup, knit or stretch slacks are permitted. Uniform shorts may be worn in August, September, October, April, May and June. These shorts must be navy blue and be 2-3 inches above the knee. Girls have the option of wearing white, light blue, maroon, dark green or black (no navy) blouses, or knit shirts (Polo shirts). The shirt/blouse must be solid in color with no emblems or brand logos. No eyelet, ruffles or lace blouses permitted. The shirt/blouse must be tucked into the skirt/slacks and properly buttoned. No student is permitted to wear under armor or spandex shirts under uniform shirts.

GIRLS' UNIFORM SKIRTS (Grades 5-8)

Girls in Grades 5-8 are to wear St. Christine plaid or navy uniform skirts. <u>The length of the skirt should be no shorter than 2 inches from the top of the knee.</u>

GIRLS' UNIFORM (Grades 5-6)

Girls in Grades 5-6 are to wear white, light blue, maroon, dark green or black (no navy in grades 5-6) blouses, or knit shirts (Polo shirts). The shirt/blouse must be solid in color with no emblems or brand logos. No eyelet, ruffles or lace blouses permitted. The shirt/blouse must be tucked in and properly buttoned at all times. No student is permitted to wear under armor or spandex shirts under uniform shirts. No cargo, stirrup, knit or stretch slacks are permitted. Girls must wear a uniform vest with a white or light blue shirt. Uniform slacks must be in solid navy blue only. Belts must be worn if pants come with belt loops. No cargo, stirrup, knit or stretch slacks are permitted. Uniform shorts may be worn in August, September, October, April, May and June. These shorts must be navy blue and be 2-3 inches above the knee.

GIRLS' SHOES (Grades K-8)

Regular tennis shoes can be worn during the school day. Any Color. Shoes should not make black marks on floors and must be tied or Velcro closure. Girls may wear durable brown, black or navy (slip-on or tie, loafer or oxford) dress shoes with normal heels (heels **NO** higher than 1 ½ inches) Light up shoes, sandals, slides, boots, Birkenstocks, Hey Dudes, or Crocs (any design) are not permitted.

K-6 SWEATSHIRTS

Students in grades K-6 may wear Saint Christine School uniform sweatshirts in navy, green or burgundy. Shirts or blouses must be worn under the sweatshirts. Hooded and/or team sweatshirts are not permitted with regular uniforms. <u>Students in K-6 are not be permitted to wear the junior high quarter zip sweatshirts!</u>

SOCKS

Solid white, navy, black, maroon or dark green socks must be worn at all times for both girls and boys. Frilly socks (lace, ruffles, etc.) are not permitted. Socks must cover the ankles. Solid white, navy, black, maroon or dark green leotards may be worn in cold weather. NO nude or skin tone stockings are permitted.

SWEATERS

Sweaters for both girls and boys are to be solid white, navy, dark green, maroon or black. Sweater vests are permitted. Please note, however, that sweaters must be plain. They may not have any lettering, animals or designs of any kind. Shirts or blouses **must** be worn under sweaters. Hooded sweaters are not permitted.

JUNIOR HIGH ONLY!!!

The following items are privileges limited to our junior high only (7 & 8 grade):

Junior high students are to wear khaki -colored pants/shorts. Junior High students are NOT permitted to wear navy pants/shorts. **Cargo pants or pants that have elastic around the ankles are not permitted**. Junior high students are only permitted to wear navy blue, maroon, or dark green knit shirts (Polo shirts). The shirts are to be solid in color with no emblems or brand logos. Girls may wear navy blue, maroon, and evergreen knit shirts without their vests. <u>This only pertains to junior high students.</u>

Black ¹/₄ zip Saint Christine sweatshirts may be worn with uniforms. While everyone may purchase them, only junior high students may wear them as part of the uniform. Students must wear a knit shirt underneath the sweatshirt. <u>Students in Junior High will not be permitted to</u> wear the K-6 sweatshirts!

GYM CLOTHES

Solid dark athletic sweatpants may be worn as part of the gym uniform. <u>Spandex pants are not</u> <u>permitted. Students who wear tight fitting shorts/pants will be asked to change into regular</u> <u>uniforms</u>. Crusader tee shirts may be worn for gym class. Sleeveless tee shirts or tank tops are not permitted. Only Saint Christine logos are permitted on tee shirts. All items of Crusader wear are permitted for gym classes. Non-marking tennis shoes must be worn. Tennis shoes are to have laces tied to the top. Athletic shoes with good support are encouraged. Students in grades K-6 may wear their uniform to school on their gym day. Students in grades 7-8 may come to school in their gym uniform, but they must change into their regular uniform after gym class is completed. Students who have gym on Mass days must wear their regular uniform on that day. With the teacher's permission, students may change after Mass, however, it will not be required.

Children must develop a sense of responsibility. <u>They will not be allowed to call home</u> <u>for forgotten gym clothes</u>. Instead, they will not participate in gym on that day and will receive no credit for that class period.

In August, September, October, April, and May, dark athletic shorts are to be worn. Shorts are to be no more than 2-3 inches above the knee. Shorts must be loose fitting

MASS UNIFORM

On Mass days all students must be in regular uniform. SHORTS ARE NOT PERMITTED ON GYM DAYS. Any of the uniform color shirts may be worn (dark green, black, light blue, maroon, white for K-6) (navy, maroon, or dark green for 7 & 8 grade). Girls must wear a vest with white or light blue shirts.

JEWELRY

Earrings

No dangling or large hoop earrings are permitted. Only small earrings in the ear and this earring must not be larger than one-inch in diameter. Boys are not permitted to wear earrings to school or to any school function.

Jewelry can be worn if small and simple. No excessive or unusual jewelry is permitted for both girls and boys. The principal or dean of students will determine what is excessive or unusual. The wearing of jewelry related to body piercing is not permitted. Visible tattoos are not permitted.

PURSES (Grades 7-8)

Girls in grades 7 & 8 may have with them a simple purse with dimensions no larger than 6"w X 6" l X 2" deep. <u>No designer purses are permitted.</u>

MAKE-UP

Make up or cosmetics of any type are <u>not permitted</u> during school hours for girls in <u>grades K-6.</u> <u>GIRLS IN GRADES K-6 ARE NOT PERMITTED TO PAINT THEIR NAILS OR HAVE</u> <u>"FAKE" NAILS. THIS INCLUDES STORE BOUGHT NAILS AND SALON NAILS.</u>

Girls in Junior High (7 & 8 Grade) may wear light make up. This is defined as being light foundation, blush, light eye make-up (natural colors) and light lipstick. Junior high girls may paint their nails or have salon finished nails. Nails should be no longer than ³/₄ of an inch from the nail bed to the tip of the nail.

HAIRSTYLES

No unusual hairstyles or colors are acceptable.

Girls are to present themselves at all times with a neat haircut and appropriate hairstyle. Hair coloring is not permitted. If hair is highlighted, it must be simple and natural looking. (blond, brown, or black)

Boys must present themselves at all times with a neat and appropriate hairstyle. Hair should be kept trimmed and well groomed. " Extreme " styles such as Mohawks (of any length), spikes, and unnatural hairstyles. Hair may not hang to the eyebrows or below the middle of the ears and may not fall below the collar. Longer hair **must** be pulled back or up off the collar. Hair coloring

is not permitted. If hair is highlighted, it must be simple and natural looking (blond, brown, or black).

Boys must be clean-shaven each day.

The administration reserves the right to identify hairstyles and colors as unusual, deem them unacceptable and direct that the hairstyle and color be changed. **Violators will have 48 hours to correct the infraction.**

Dress Down Days

Certain days will be designated as Dress Down Days by the Administration. Jeans, shorts (during short season), and shirts without collars are acceptable. Any clothing that depicts or promotes the use of alcohol, drugs or tobacco, or demeans any person, is contrary to the values promoted by St. Christine School and may not be worn to school. Bare midriffs, spaghetti straps, halter-tops or tank tops are not allowed. Hats, scarves and bandanas are not allowed. **School uniform attire is always acceptable.**

Special Occasion Days

Certain days are designated as Special Occasion Days by the Administration. Students are expected to "dress up." Dress shirts with collars and long pants are required for boys. Girls' dresses must be a modest length. Bare midriffs, spaghetti straps, halter- tops, tank tops, shorts or jeans are not allowed. School uniform attire is always acceptable.

Purple & Gold Spirit Days

Certain days will be designated as Purple & Gold Spirit Days to collectively showcase our school pride. On these days, students have the option of wearing the standard uniform, any Saint Christine Crusader apparel or wearing clothing the reflects our school colors – purple and gold (yellow). Bare midriffs, spaghetti straps, halter-tops or tank tops are not allowed. School uniform attire is always acceptable.

PLEASE NOTE THAT JUST BECAUSE A SPECIFIC ITEM IS NOT LISTED AS "NOT PERMITTED" DOES NOT NECESSARILY IMPLY THAT IT IS PERMISSIBLE. THE DRESS CODE DOES NOT CHANGE TO REFLECT CURRENT TRENDS AND FADS. SINCE IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO PREDICT TEENAGE FADS, THE ADMINISTRATION RESERVES THE RIGHT TO DETERMINE WHETHER A STYLE IS EXCESSIVE OR INAPPROPRIATE.

ANY STUDENT WHO IS IN VIOLATION OF OUR DRESS CODE POLICY WILL *BE* GIVEN THREE WRITTEN WARNINGS PER QUARTER. FAILURE TO COMPLY WILL RESULT IN THE DEDUCTION OF CONDUCT POINTS. PLEASE DO NOT TEST THE LIMITS OF THE DRESS CODE. WE EXPECT THAT EACH STUDENT WILL BE IN COMPLETE COMPLIANCE AT ALL TIMES ACCEPTANCE OF PARENT/STUDENT HANDBOOK

The school reserves the right to refuse admission or readmission, to suspend or to expel any student who does not cooperate with the policies established in the Handbook. Policies in the handbook apply to after school hours as well. If any student refuses to follow these policies, then he or she places his or her privilege to attend this school in jeopardy. If any parent/guardian refuses to support or follow these policies, the parent/guardian places his or her child/children's privilege of attending this school in jeopardy.

We acknowledge that the school has the right to amend the Handbook during the school year as needed and we agree to follow the policies and procedures as may be added or amended. Our signatures below indicate our commitment to fulfill our obligations according to the requirements of the Handbook.

I, as a parent/guardian. have read and discussed the Saint Christine School Handbook with my child and agree to support its provisions. Father's or Guardian's Signature _____ Date _____

Mother's or Guardian's Signature Date:	
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I, as a student in grades 4-8, have read the Saint Christine Handbook and agree to support its provisions.

Student	
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Print student names and grades:

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Please return this signed form promptly to the School Office. This form will be placed in the students' permanent files.