



# ST. NICHOLAS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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### Dress Code

- It is the intent of St. Nicholas Catholic School to provide a safe, educational environment. A school dress code compliments the teaching of order and discipline, provides for a less distracting environment, and builds a sense of teamwork. Please see the attached examples of approved dress code.
- Compliance with the dress code is mandatory. Kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade students must be in uniform every day. Students are expected to arrive at school wearing approved clothing and colors. Parents will be called to bring appropriate clothing if necessary. We have tried to make this as clear as possible, however, if there is a question as to the appropriateness of an item of clothing, it will be decided according to the administration's discretion.

#### Regular Week Uniform:

##### Top:

- Solid red or navy polo shirt. Can be long or short sleeved. Must have a collar.
- Shirts must be long enough to be tucked in.
- Solid red or navy cardigans, crew neck sweatshirts, and pullover sweaters are allowed to be worn over a uniform shirt.
- No logos, stripes, patterns or embellishments other than an approved St. Nicholas monogram.

##### Bottom:

- Boys - Solid navy or khaki pants or shorts.
- Girls – Solid navy or khaki pants, shorts, skorts, skirts, or dress/jumper. No embellishments such as sparkles, ruffles, lace, or tulle material.
- Shorts, skorts, skirts, and dress/jumpers must be no shorter than one inch above the knee.
- Blue jeans are not allowed. Also, **not** allowed: sweat/wind pants, oversized/baggy pants, leggings as primary form of bottoms.
- No logos, stripes, patterns or embellishments.
- Bottoms must fit appropriately and be worn around the waist.

##### Footwear:

- Socks and shoes must be worn at ALL times. **Solid** black or white socks/tights must be worn (no stripes or patterns on socks/leggings or tights).
- Tights/leggings must be covered with a skirt, shorts, capris, or pants.
- No wheeled or "Heely" styled shoes. No flip flops or open-toed shoes.

##### Headwear/Hats:

- Students may wear ball caps (no political statements) and warm hats at recess. Other, novelty hats are not allowed. Headwear/Hats of any kind must be removed upon entering the buildings.

##### Outerwear:

- Jackets and sweatshirts worn for outside warmth must be removed while inside the classroom.
- Hats, gloves, snow pants and snow boots are recommended for recess in the winter. Snow pants are permitted in the classroom.

#### Appearance:

- Students must arrive at school clean and neat in appearance.
- Shirts must be tucked in at all times.
- Clothing must be the correct size and in good condition with no holes or tears.

- Girls may wear small, single post, non-dangling earrings. Boys may not wear earrings. A simple religious necklace and/or simple, single bracelet is permitted.
- Tattoos and writing on the skin are prohibited. Temporary tattoos must not be visible.
- Hair shall be well-groomed and clean with no artificial coloring, tinsel, or bleaching, and no extreme haircuts (e.g., designs, mohawks, words, etc.).
- Make-up, artificial nails, and/or colored/sparkly nail-polish is prohibited (clear polish is allowed).

### **Mass Uniform**

#### **K-5<sup>th</sup> Grade:**

- Boys: Solid white polo shirt (long or short sleeve), navy blue v-neck sweater vest, navy dress pants, black shoes, black socks
- Girls: Solid white polo shirt (long or short sleeve), plaid jumper, black shoes, white socks

#### **6<sup>th</sup> Grade:**

- Boys: Solid white polo shirt (long or short sleeve), v-neck sweater vest, navy dress pants, navy tie, black shoes, black socks
- Girls: Solid white polo shirt (long or short sleeve), plaid pleated skort, and/or plaid jumper, black shoes, white socks

Students may change into a regular week school uniform after Mass, if they wish to do so.

### **Preschool & Free Dress Day**

- Clothes must be appropriate, clean, modest, without holes/tears/rips, and in good taste for a Catholic School with no references to drugs, alcohol, or any inappropriate themes or slogans.
- Shorts and pants must be worn at the waist.
- No sleeveless shirts or dresses including tank tops, halter tops, or spaghetti straps; unless a shirt with sleeves is worn underneath. Low-cut or bare midriff may not be worn.
- Students must wear socks with any style of shoe – No flip flops.

#### **Free Dress Days:**

- Free dress days will be awarded to students at the end of each month for perfect attendance for the month and for completing all homework. Students who meet both criteria will be notified in advance by their teacher and given a special permission slip for their free dress day. This is a special reward to encourage our student's presence in the classroom along with emphasizing the importance of completing all assignments.

### **Spirit Days**

- SNCS logo t-shirts, sweatshirts, or regular uniform shirts may be worn on special "Spirit Days".
- Uniform bottoms or non-uniform bottoms (jeans or corduroys) may be worn.