

DRESS CODE AND UNIFORM

At St. James School students wear uniforms not to hide their individuality, but to reveal it. As clothes no longer are a focus, one's personality and beauty shines through all the more clearly.

All students must be in uniform every day. There will be non-uniform days which will be announced during the course of the school year (a dress code for such days is included in this section). If there is a time when the prescribed uniform cannot for some 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 sent to the office and the parent will be called to bring the proper clothing. It is deemed wise for a child's name to be on the inside label of each article of clothing.

ALL Students: Hair is to be neat and clean and away from students' eyes. Boys' hair should be above the collar and trimmed around the ears. No unusual hair styles or coloring (including tinting or highlights) are permitted. The school reserves the right to request hair be trimmed if it is becoming unkempt. Fingernails should be neat and not grown beyond the end of the fingertips. **Nail polish, artificial nails and makeup are not permitted.** Excessive jewelry may not be worn. **Dangling earrings and hoops are not permitted.** Boys may not wear earrings. No body piercings or visible tattoos, permanent or temporary. The school is not responsible for the loss of expensive jewelry or watches and recommends they be saved for wear outside of the school.

Dress code for Non-Uniform Days: Jeans may be worn and should be in good condition. Jeans may not have holes or stains. Shirts must be modest, and there must be no vulgar images, alcohol or drug themes, or angry pictures or writing. Cropped and sleeveless shirts are prohibited. Leggings and yoga pants are not permitted. Sneakers may be worn and should be in good condition. Slippers, crocs, open toed or heeled sandals are prohibited. Shorts, skirts, and dresses should be no more than two inches above the knee. Pajamas are not permitted.

***The Principal will announce the start/end date for shorts in the fall and spring seasons.

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	Girls' grade Pre-K - 3	Girls' grade 4-8	Boys' grade Pre-K-8
Uniform Jumper/Skirt	Knee Length Plaid Donnelly Jumper ¹	Knee Length Plaid Donnelly skirt ¹	
Uniform Shirts	White Peter Pan blouse or polo. Short or long sleeve	White oxford blouse or polo. Short or long sleeve	White oxford dress shirt or polo. Short or long sleeve
Uniform Pants/Shorts	S pring/Fall: navy blue knee length shorts ² Winter: Navy blue slacks ³ .	S pring/Fall: navy blue knee length shorts ² W inter: Navy blue slacks ³ Both worn with belt ⁴ .	S pring/Fall: navy blue knee length shorts ² W inter: Navy blue slacks ³ Both worn with belt ⁴ for grades 4-8.
Uniform Sweaters & Vests	Red or navy-blue sweater or Red Donnelly Vest.	Red or navy-blue sweater or Red Donnelly Vest.	Red or navy-blue sweater or Red Donnelly Vest.
Uniform Socks/ Stockings	S olid white, brown, black or navy-blue socks w/slacks and shorts ⁵ W hite or navy knee socks or tights w/jumper	S olid white, brown, black or navy-blue socks w/slacks and shorts ⁵ W hite or navy knee socks or tights w/skirt	S olid white, brown, black or navy-blue socks w/slacks and shorts ⁵
Uniform Shoes	Rubber soled blue/brown/black dress shoes ⁶ <u>Solid</u> black sneakers ⁷	Rubber soled blue/brown/black dress shoes ⁶ <u>Solid</u> black sneakers ⁷	Rubber soled blue/brown/black dress shoes ⁶ <u>Solid</u> black sneakers ⁷
PE Uniform	Spring/Fall: SJS red shorts grey SJS tee Winter: SJS red sweatpants, Sneakers ⁷	Spring/Fall: SJS red shorts grey SJS tee Winter: SJS red sweatpants, Sneakers ⁷	Spring/Fall: SJS red shorts grey SJS tee Winter: SJS red sweatpants, Sneakers ⁷
Mass Day Uniform	Jumper, white blouse, red cross tie, knee socks or tights, dress shoes ⁶	Plaid skirt, white blouse, red cross tie, red vest, knee socks or tights, dress shoes ⁶	Dress white shirt, navy slacks ³ , red tie, red vest, socks, belt, dress shoes ⁶
Everyday Winter Uniform	Uniform pants with uniform polo, vest, socks, & shoes. OR Uniform jumper with blouse, knee socks or tights, and dress shoes.	Uniform pants with uniform polo, vest, socks, & shoes. OR Uniform plaid skirt with blouse, vest, knee socks or tights, and dress shoes.	Uniform pants with uniform polo, vest, socks, & shoes.
Everyday Spring/Fall Uniform	Uniform shorts with uniform polo, socks, and shoes. OR Uniform jumper with blouse, knee socks or tights, and dress shoes.	Uniform shorts with uniform polo, socks, and shoes. OR Uniform plaid skirt with blouse, vest, knee socks or tights, and dress shoes.	Uniform shorts with uniform polo, socks, and shoes.

¹Navy blue bike shorts may be worn under jumpers and skirts. ²Shorts should be Bermuda or walking style.

³No low-rise, skinny, jogger, jean, or cargo styles pants or shorts. ⁴Belts must be black, brown, or navy. ⁵All socks should be quarter, crew or trouser length. ⁶Mass shoes may be loafer or boat style. ⁷Non-uniform sneakers may be worn on PE day. No open-back or open-toe shoes such as Crocs, flip-flops, clogs, and sandals may be worn. No work/winter/ rain boots should be worn during the school day.