



Dress Code

The dress code provides a standard for our students, which fosters an environment conducive to learning and respectful behavior. Final decisions regarding the school uniform rest with the principal/administration.

UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS & OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION

Students in Grades PreK through 8 wear their uniforms beginning on the first day of school. Unless otherwise announced, students wear the uniform every day. Summer uniforms are worn from the beginning of the school year through October 6, 2023. Winter uniforms are worn from October 10, 2023, through March 28, 2024. Students who fail to wear the complete uniform will receive Disciplinary Referrals. Consequences will be issued with the Disciplinary Referrals and violations will be noted on report cards. Students who incur three uniform infractions must wear their uniform on the next school-wide out-of-uniform day. Consequences will be issued in accordance with the Discipline Code.

Sacred Heart Academy's uniform company is Flynn & O'Hara Uniform Company. Using one company assures uniformity in shades of color and style.

Skirt length should be no more than two inches above the knee. It is advisable that hems be set at knee length since growth spurts may occur during the year. No jewelry, including rings and wristbands, may be worn on or with the uniform, except for a small cross or sacramental. This rule applies to both boys and girls. Girls may not wear make-up, to include cologne, eye shadow, lipstick, lip-gloss, nail polish, or artificial fingernails. Girls may wear one pair of small-post earrings; however, dangling or hoop earrings of any size are not allowed. Boys are not to wear earrings of any type. Temporary (as well as permanent) tattoos are not permitted.

Students may wear a watch. Students may not wear Smart watches.

Extreme and fad hairstyles or hair jewelry for boys and girls are not permitted. Hair dye is not acceptable. Boys' hair should be no longer than collar length and well groomed. If there is a question about the hairstyle, the Principal will ultimately make the decision about its appropriateness. All hats are to be removed when inside the building except on a crazy hat day, and no hats are permitted on field trips, unless designated by Administration as part of the uniform.

Students must comply with regulation socks. White socks that fold over and cover the ankle are required for both summer uniforms and gym uniforms.

On special occasions when out-of-uniform days are announced, students are to comply with the dress code guidelines provided for the day. If it is a designated " non- uniform" day, the students may wear casual clothes. If it is designated as a "dress up" day, the students wear dressy outfits (Sunday best). The following guidelines are in place:

- Jeans must be clean, non-frayed, and non-ripped. Skinny jeans, leggings, or tights by themselves are not allowed.
- Shorts, dresses, and skirts must reach to one inch above the knee.
- Shorts and slacks must fit well. No baggy or oversized pants or shorts will be permitted.
- Shirts, t-shirts, and sweatshirts must be plain, neat, and clean. Only logos with sports teams, school names, or containing a religious message will be allowed. No cartoon logos, no music groups, nothing violent or sexual in nature, no political messages or inappropriate slogans or pictures will be allowed.
- Blouses, sweaters, and shirts must be modest. All shirts, blouses, tops, and sweaters may not have necklines that are immodest. Spaghetti straps, crop tops, or halters are not permitted.
- Jewelry may be of a religious nature and consist of a cross or a sacramental. A watch may be worn, but it may not be a Smart watch.
- Earrings may consist of small, matching, stud-style earrings in the ear lobe (cartilage pierces and multiple pairs are not allowed). Boys may not wear earrings.
- Make-up is inappropriate for any grade level. No makeup or colored nail polish may be worn. Clear nail polish is permitted. Cologne or perfume is not permitted.
- High heels, tap shoes, and flip flops are unacceptable.

Violation of the non-uniform dress code may result in a student losing his/her non-uniform privilege or other consequences as determined by the Principal. **Parents may be called to bring appropriate clothing and/or the student may be denied the privilege to participate in the activity.** A school gym uniform may be loaned to a student who does not comply with the dress code. The loaned uniform must be washed and returned to school the following day.