



UNIFORM POLICY AND DRESS CODE (K-5)

4/15/2019

School uniforms help support and develop community and school spirit. They also promote an environment of courtesy, respect, self-discipline, and high personal standards. School uniforms minimize distraction associated with clothing and focus children’s creativity and individuality on their school work. The St. Dominic Catholic School Uniform Policy is designed to provide options and minimize cost to families.

The key uniform items are the tops with school logos. All tops will be solid bright red, white, or navy blue. All shirts will have an embroidered white or red school logo. The school logo is the only logo that should be on the shirt.

UNIFORM POLICY

ITEM	DESCRIPTION
Polo Shirts	Polo style only, long or short sleeved. Color Choices: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bright red with white school logo • White with red school logo • Navy blue with white school logo Long-sleeved plain-colored tee shirts of matching color or white may be worn under short sleeve polo shirts
Dress Shirts	long or short sleeved oxford style, white or navy with logo.
Mock neck	May be worn under sweater, sweatshirt, or jumper. Must be white, red or navy.
Pants	Khaki or navy uniform pants. NO JEANS
Shorts	Khaki or navy dress shorts. NO ATHLETIC SHORTS Length no shorter than 2 inches above the knee.
Skirts/Skortts	Khaki, navy, or Saint Dominic plaid. Length no shorter than 2 inches above the knee.

	Red, navy, white, or khaki shorts must be worn under skirts for modesty. Modesty shorts should not be visible.
Dresses	Dresses may be short or long sleeved. Red or navy with white school logo. Length no shorter than 2 inches above the knee. Modesty shorts must be worn under dress and should not be visible.
Jumpers	Jumpers may be khaki with red school logo, navy with white school logo, or Saint Dominic plaid (Land's End or French Toast) with white school logo. Length no shorter than 2 inches width above the knee. Modesty shorts must be worn under jumpers and should not be visible.
Sweater	Style: Solid color long sleeved, sweater vest or cardigan Color: red, navy or white <i>School logo is optional but preferred.</i>
Sweatshirt	Color: solid red or navy with white school logo; white with red school logo. Zip up "hoodie" or pull over.
Shoes	Athletic or tennis shoes with socks. Mary Jane shoes with rubber soles and straps, worn with socks or tights. Loafers with socks.
Socks	Color choices: solid red, navy, white, or khaki
Tights/ Leggings	May be worn with skirts, dresses, and jumpers. Color choices: solid red, navy, white, or khaki Leggings may not be worn as shorts or pants.
Hair Accessories Earrings	Hair barrettes, bows, and headbands need to be red, navy and/or white, or a neutral black or brown. They should be small to not detract from the uniform. No other hair accessories will be permitted. Earrings are to be post earrings no larger than a dime.
Spirit Shirts	Red tee shirts that are issued by HASA. *Red Spirit Shirts should be worn for all off-campus activities unless otherwise specified.
Torch Bearers Shirt	Children involved in the Torch Bearers running club may wear their Torch Bearers tee shirt on scheduled running club days.

- There is a uniform closet available at the school, where you are able to find items that your child needs, or donate gently used uniform items to share with others.
- The principal will have the discretion to make exemptions with regard to the uniform policy whenever he/she feels it is necessary or appropriate.

DRESS CODE

- ❖ All uniform items must be neat, clean, fit properly, be free from holes and have the logo.
- ❖ Shirts must be tucked in for students in grades 3-5.
- ❖ Jackets and other outerwear are **NOT** to be worn indoors during the school day. A sweater, sweatshirt, or 'hoodie' conforming to the school uniform policy can be worn indoors if a student is cold. (The hood on a 'hoodie' cannot be used to cover the head while indoors.)
- ❖ Black or brown belts are required with any bottoms that have belt loops for grades 3-5.
- ❖ Please label your students clothes so they may be returned if lost.
- ❖ Hats and sunglasses are not permitted in the building.
- ❖ Wearing make-up will not be permitted.
- ❖ During cold-weather months, students must wear or bring a jacket to school for outdoor recess. Students will go outdoors for recess unless there is rain; heavy wet snow; and/or if the wind chill is below freezing.

COMPLIANCE

It is understood that when you choose to become part of the Saint Dominic School family that you will adhere to the policies set forth. The Uniform Policy is certainly one of those policies. When a child is not in compliance with the policy, we will work with you and with the child to promote a better understanding of the expectations. We will never take punitive action against a child for non-compliance, understanding it is the responsibility of the adults in that child's life to assure compliance. Should you have concerns about the Uniform Policy or have a suggestion for change, please contact a member of the SDCS staff member.

SCHOOL LOGO ITEMS:

The school office will provide information and coordinate the acquisition of embroidered logo items and embroidery. All school logo items are also available at Educational Outfitters in Knoxville--the address is below.

There are no restrictions as to where uniform items may be purchased, except for Saint Dominic plaid items (red and navy plaid) which are available only through Educational Outfitters in Knoxville (school code: TN01382). Any uniform-style jumper is acceptable and available through catalogues such as JCPenney or Land's End.

French Toast Schoolbox School code: QS5PHRL
(800)636-3104
www.frenchtoastschoobox.com

Land's End
www.landsend.com
School Code: 900145509

Uniform-Free Days

From time-to-time, there will be specified uniform-free days. On these days the children will be permitted to wear clothes other than their uniforms. These clothes must follow the Dress Code Policy Guidelines above. Additionally, the following items are prohibited:

- Tank tops, flip flops, cut-off shirts or shorts, any blouses that show the midriff, and stretch pants.
- No tight clothing
- Clothing with advertising or logos that promote or reflect immoral, humiliating, degrading, or unhealthy attitudes (If the message is questionable, it is not appropriate).

As with all school clothing issues, discretion is left to the principal. If the principal feels that a particular item of clothing is not appropriate for school, the family will be contacted and asked to bring appropriate clothing for the child. If a family member cannot be reached, the student may be given alternate clothing to change into for the duration of the school day.