

# ST. DOMINIC SCHOOL DRESS CODE & UNIFORM POLICY

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### **DRESS CODE**

The purpose of the school uniform is to:

- Provide a means of identification and belonging to St. Dominic School
- Provide for a neat and orderly appearance appropriate to school and the learning atmosphere
- Avoid competition in dress
- Control clothing costs for families
- Be age and activity-appropriate

**REQUIRED UNIFORM GRADES K -8:** The standard uniform *must* be worn by students during the months of November - March. It *may* be worn during the other months, or students may choose from the Summer Uniform Options.

### **GIRLS STANDARD UNIFORM:**

#### **Option A**

##### **Grades K-4: Jumper and Blouse**

- SDS Plaid v-neck, pleated jumper
- Peter Pan collared blouse (Long or short sleeve, white or light blue)

##### **Grades 5-8: Skirt and Polo Top**

- **Skirt:** SDS plaid skirt, styles to include either pleated, two kick pleated, wrap around kilt, A-line, or flat front skirt. (hem no shorter than 2 inches above the knee)
- **Polo Shirt:** Banded polo with SDS monogram (worn untucked), or non-banded polo with SDS monogram (worn tucked). Short or long sleeve, solid white, dark green or navy blue.

#### **Option B**

##### **Grades K-8: Pants, Polo Shirt, and Belt**

- **Dress Slacks:** Navy blue or khaki dress slacks. Must be worn at the natural waist and be standard dress style.
- **Polo Shirt:** SDS monogrammed in white, navy blue, or dark green short or long-sleeved. Non-banded polo shirts must be tucked in and a belt must be worn.

#### **Bike shorts (optional)**

Girls may wear solid navy blue or white shorts beneath their skirts for modesty. The hem of the shorts may not be seen.

#### **Leggings/Tights**

Girls must wear solid navy tights or leggings under their skirts from November 1 - April 1.

### **BOYS STANDARD UNIFORM:**

##### **Grades K-4: Pants, Polo, and Belt**

- **Pants:** Navy blue or khaki corduroy or dress pants
- **Polo Shirt:** Polo shirt with SDS monogram tucked in. Long or short sleeve, solid white, navy blue, or dark green.

##### **Grades 5-8: Pants, Shirt, Tie, and Belt**

- **Pants:** Navy blue or khaki corduroy or dress pants
- **Shirt:** Long sleeve or short sleeve dress shirt, white or light blue **to be tucked in.**
- **Tie:** Necktie or bow tie, solid color, print or striped, to be worn tied.

**SUMMER OPTION GRADES K -8 Boys and Girls** *(Can be worn August – October 31<sup>st</sup> & April 1<sup>st</sup> – June)*

**Shorts, Polo Top, and Belt:**

- Khaki or navy blue pleated front or plain front Bermuda-length shorts with plain pockets may be worn in place of pants
- Polo with SDS monogram worn tucked in. Girls may wear a banded polo shirt. Long or short sleeve, white, navy blue or dark green

**GENERAL APPAREL & APPEARANCE GUIDELINES**

***Hair***

Hair is to be clean, groomed, combed and styled appropriately. Hair must be a natural color; **no dye is permitted**. Boys' hair that covers the eyebrows, extends over the ears and/or touches the shirt collar is not permitted. Girls' *hair accessories should be kept to a minimum and coordinate with the uniform; headbands in blue, green, white, black, brown.*

***Jewelry & Make-up***

- Girls: Make-up (other than cover up) is not permitted. Only post-style earrings or simple small hoops may be worn. Choker style necklaces, rope fashion and metal fashion necklaces are not permitted. Bracelets (with the exception of religious style) are not permitted. A single wrist watch may be worn.
- Boys: A single wrist watch and/or religious style bracelet or necklace are permitted.
- Both: Apple watches and any smart watches that have technology and the capability to email, text etc. are not permitted.

***Sweaters/Sweatshirts/Fleece***

- Only Schoolbelles, Lands End, or Spirit Wear sweatshirts, sweaters, and fleeces are allowed as part of the regular uniform.
- Sweaters, sweatshirts, and fleeces should be navy blue or hunter green pullovers or vests, crew neck, quarter-zip, or cardigans with the SDS monogram.
- No hooded sweatshirts or St. Dominic athletic team clothing is permitted except on Spirit Days or Dress Down Days.

***Footwear***

- Socks are to be plain, solid-colored crew socks, knee socks or tights in colors complimentary to the uniform. No logos should show on socks.
- Shoe style should be appropriate for school wear, such as oxford-style tie, penny-loafer styles, saddle shoes, or logo-free sneakers. Shoe colors are limited to solid gray, brown, tan, black, or navy blue. Boots of any kind (fashion, construction, high-or-low tops) are not to be worn with school uniform. Shoes must have closed heels.
- Boots should be worn to and from school and during recess in cold weather.

***Belts***

Belts must be navy, black, brown, or uniform plaid (girls).

***Undershirts***

If an undershirt is worn, either by boys or girls, it must be **plain white and worn tucked in**.

### **DRESS UP DAYS**

On these days students may wear special dress clothing. High-heeled shoes, jeans of any kind, low-rise slacks, shorts, play clothes or dress-down attire are *not* permitted. The jewelry and make-up policies must still be observed. Clothing should be appropriate for a Catholic elementary school. Girls' dresses or tops should have straps at least 2 inches wide. No bare shoulders or midriffs, and no low-cut tops. Tennis/running shoes are not allowed.

### **DRESS DOWN DAYS**

Clothing must be appropriate for a Catholic elementary school.

- Students may wear sweats, sweatshirts, jeans (not torn or frayed).
- Low-cut or form-fitting clothes are NOT appropriate. Tight pants, leotards, or "baggy" pants are not appropriate.
- Logos on the seat of the pants or skirts are NOT permitted.
- T-shirts (no inappropriate sayings or slogans that are identified with values contrary to the Catholic faith) may be worn in warm weather.
- During warm weather shorts that are no more than 3 inches above the knee may be worn; shorts may not be torn or frayed.
- Yoga pants and leggings are NOT permitted unless an appropriate top, shirt, or blouse, etc., is at least fingertip length and worn over them.
- Tank tops, tube tops, and halter-tops are NOT permitted.
- Shoulders and midriffs MUST be covered.
- Footwear for boys and girls should be worn with socks. Flip-flops and clogs are NOT permitted. "Wheelies" are NOT allowed at any time, with or without wheels.

### **PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLOTHES: GRADES K-8**

- Solid navy blue athletic gym shorts.
- Gold, navy, or grey St. Dominic t-shirt.
- Athletic shoes: Shoes must be non-marking (no black soles) and of good quality. Shoes with shoelaces are best – zippers/Velcro tend to wear out and/or slip.
- Athletic socks must be worn
- No jewelry may be worn during PE class
- Navy blue sweatshirt and sweatpants are recommended for winter months

### **ROLE OF PARENTS IN SCHOOL UNIFORM**

The school uniform is an important part of the training and overall experience of life in a Catholic School. Parents understand once they enroll in St. Dominic School that a school uniform is mandatory and is to be worn properly. The uniform is to be purchased at Lands End or Schoolbelles as indicated; otherwise items may be purchased at the store of your choice. When students wear clothing that does not meet the dress code, Parents will be contacted by phone and they may be required to provide regulation clothing immediately by bringing it to the school. Three uniform warnings will result in no dress down day the next time one is scheduled. It is the responsibility of the Parents to make sure their children are wearing the uniform and wearing it properly.

The administration reserves the right to rule on all questions relating to the areas of dress and grooming not covered by code until such time as this code may be amended or revised.