

A spirit of cooperation is expected of all students and parents in obeying the rules, written or unwritten, of the school. Respect for rules, even those we do not like or agree with, contributes to a positive, safe, happy environment for all.

DRESS CODE

When in uniform, students are visible representatives of Saint Mary School. Uniforms eliminate fashion as a potential source of competition among students, and therefore, aid in keeping the focus of their attention on their studies.

Parents should be **completely familiar** with and understanding of all regulations pertinent to the dress code. Parents should **comply** with and enforce the dress code among their children.

The principal is the final arbiter in interpreting standards for all students.

1. All students must be in full uniform each day except on days designated by the principal.
2. When not in uniform, a student must present a written note from a parent stating the reason for this digression.
3. The wearing of hats in the school is not allowed.
4. Monograms, such as initials or logos, are not to be visible on **any** uniform clothing, socks or shoes.
5. The student's appearance is to be one of overall neatness. Uniforms must be of the appropriate size, length, ironed, and in a proper state of repair.
6. Excessive or faddish hairstyles for both boys and girls are not permitted.
7. The length of a boy's hair must be above the shirt collar, off the ears and away from his eyes.
8. Students may wear a wristwatch and one or two rings. A pair of earrings may be worn, one in each ear. Excessively large earrings are not allowed. Tasteful bracelets, tie-tacs, and/or a necklace may be worn.
9. Nail polish is allowed. It may not detract from the educational process.
10. The wearing of lip-color, eye shadow, or other make-up is not allowed for students in grades K-6. For girls in grades 7 and 8 only, **subtle** make-up is allowed.

All school uniforms are purchased from any one of the following three vendors:

J.B. Edwards Uniform:

J.B. Edwards Uniforms
65 Southbridge Street
Auburn, MA 01501

Telephone: (508) 792-2071
Fax: (508) 792-2074

Website: www.jbedwarduniforms.com

Lands End:

Preferred School Number: 900131061

Phone: 1-800-469-2222

Website: www.landsend.com

Allens School Uniforms:

452 W. Boylston Street

Worcester, MA 01606

(508) 853-1993

Kindergarten

Kindergarten students wear their gym uniform and sneakers every day. Since the Kindergarten students are wearing the gym uniform, sneakers do not have to be white or black. Please refrain from buying sneakers that light up or may cause a distraction in the classroom. ***Short sleeve polo shirts are strongly recommended over the long sleeve polo shirts for kindergarten students.***

Girls: Grades 1-4

- Uniform plaid jumper
- Uniform white, peter pan blouse, long or short sleeve
- Navy blue uniform pants (regular or relaxed fit) with a belt may be worn instead of the jumper/kilt/skirt
- Navy blue knee socks, navy blue tights or white or navy ankle socks (solid, no prints). Tights or knee socks must be worn when wearing the winter uniform. No ankle socks are allowed from October 15th until April vacation.
- Solid white or black dress shoes, solid white, solid black, or black and white low-cut, clean sneakers only; no slip on moccasins may be worn.
- Navy blue uniform sweater (v-neck pullover, cardigan or vest) **from October 15th until April Vacation**

Girls: Grades 5-6

- Uniform plaid skirts with white or blue uniform oxford blouse, long or short sleeve; skirt lengths must be no shorter than 3 inches above the knee.
- Navy blue uniform pants (regular or relaxed fit) with a belt may be worn instead of the jumper/kilt/skirt.
- Navy blue knee socks, navy tights, or white or navy ankle socks (solid, no prints). Tights or knee socks must be worn when wearing the winter uniform. No ankle socks are allowed from October 15th until April vacation.

- Solid white or black dress shoes or solid white, solid black, or black and white low-cut clean sneakers only; no slip on moccasins may be worn.
- Navy blue uniform sweater (V-neck pullover, cardigan, or vest) or navy blue uniform fleece vest must be worn **from October 15th until April vacation**.

Girls: Grades 7-8

- Uniform gray kilt with white, light blue or light yellow uniform oxford blouse, long or short sleeve; skirt lengths must be no shorter than 3 inches above the knee.
- Navy blue uniform pants (regular or relaxed fit) with a belt may be worn instead of the jumper/kilt/skirt
- Navy blue knee socks, navy tights, or white or navy ankle socks (solid, no prints). Tights or knee socks must be worn when wearing the winter uniform. No ankle socks are allowed from October 15th until April vacation. **Girls in Grade 8 may wear any socks throughout the year.**
- 8th grade girls only may wear nylons (cream, gray, navy blue, or skin-tone)
- Solid white or black dress shoes or solid white, solid black, or black and white low-cut clean sneakers only; no slip on moccasins may be worn.
- Navy blue uniform sweater (V-neck pullover, cardigan, or vest) or navy blue uniform fleece vest must be **from October 15th until April vacation**.

Boys: Grades 1-3

- Navy blue uniform pants (regular or relaxed fit) with belt
- White or light blue polo-type knit shirt, long or short sleeve, with St. Mary insignia
- Navy blue uniform sweater (V-neck, cardigan, pullover, or vest)
- White or navy blue crew/ankle socks (solid, no prints or logos).
- Solid white or black dress shoes or solid white, solid black, or black and white low-cut clean sneakers only; no slip on moccasins may be worn.

Boys: Grades 4-5

- Navy blue uniform pants (regular or relaxed fit) with belt
- Light blue or white uniform oxford shirt, long or short sleeve
- Plaid tie
- White or navy blue crew/ankle socks (solid, no prints or logos).
- Solid white or black dress shoes or solid white, solid black, or black and white low-cut clean sneakers only.
- Navy blue uniform sweater (V-neck, cardigan, pullover, or vest) must be worn **from October 15th until April vacation**.
- Uniform navy blue fleece vest (grade 5 only)

Boys: Grades 6-8

- Navy blue uniform pants (regular or relaxed fit) with belt
- White, light blue or light yellow uniform oxford shirt, long or short sleeve
- Navy blue tie (gr. 6&7)
- 8th grade boys only may wear **any** necktie (appropriate conservative prints, only).
- White or navy blue crew/ankle socks (solid, no print or logos). **Boys in Grade 8 may wear any socks throughout the year.**
- Solid black dress shoes or solid white, solid black, or black and white low-cut, clean sneakers only.
- Navy blue uniform sweater (V-neck, cardigan, pullover, or vest) or navy blue uniform fleece vest must be worn **from October 15th until April vacation**

Boys and Girls Gym Uniform: Grades K-6

Kindergarten students wear their gym uniform every day.

- Navy blue gym uniform mesh shorts with St. Mary insignia may be worn until October 15th and after April vacation.
- Navy blue gym uniform sweatshirt and sweat pants with the St. Mary insignia must be worn from October 15th until April vacation.
- Uniform white short sleeve polo-type jersey with the St. Mary insignia
- Socks
- Sneakers

Boys and Girls Gym Uniform: Grades 7& 8

- Navy blue uniform gym mesh shorts with St. Mary Insignia may be worn until October 15th and after April vacation.
- Navy blue gym uniform mesh pants or sweatpants with the St. Mary insignia must be worn from October 15th until April vacation.
- Navy blue gym uniform sweatshirt with the St. Mary insignia must be worn from October 15th until April vacation.
- Socks
- Sneakers

Boys and Girls Warm Weather Uniform: Grades 1-8

During the warm weather (first day of school through October 14th and after April vacation), students may wear:

- Uniform navy blue dress (added Fall 2010) for grades 1 thru 4
- Navy blue uniform dress shorts (boys and girls) with belt.
- Navy blue uniform skort (girls). Skorts must be no shorter than 4 inches above the knee.
- Uniform white or blue polo shirts (boys and girls), with St. Mary insignia or white blouses (girls) may be worn.
- White or Navy blue crew/ankle socks (solid, no print or logos). **Boys and Girls in Grade 8 only may wear any socks.**
- Solid white, solid black, or black and white low-cut sneakers. (no high tops).

Uniform changes due to weather conditions may take place at the discretion of the principal and parents will be notified by email or **Parent Alert.**

Out of Uniform Notice

An out of uniform notice may be sent home when a student is **not** following the dress code. This notice will bring the non-compliance to your attention and ask for an immediate correction. The notice should be signed by a parent and returned to school the next school day. Parents will be notified by the principal or assistant principal if the students continue to be out of uniform.

Out of Uniform Notice

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Please see the Dress Code/Uniform Policy Section of the Parent/Student Handbook.

Infraction to be corrected immediately:

Teacher's Signature _____

Parent's Signature _____

Out of Uniform Dress Code

On occasion, the school or a class may have an out of uniform day. A notice will be sent home *via email*. Clothing and accessories containing inappropriate pictures or words are not to be worn. No undergarments should be visible. Clothing that exposes the back or midriff is not to be worn. Shorts, skirts, dresses or jumpers must be uniform length. If the outfit is deemed inappropriate, the student will be sent to the office to call home for another set of clothes, or will utilize the extra uniforms kept in the nurses' office. Each student may have one out of uniform day, on their birthday. If the student's birthday is on a weekend, they may have an out of uniform day on Friday or Monday before or after

their birthday. Students with summer birthdays can choose a day to celebrate beginning in January after consulting with the homeroom teacher.

Out of Uniform Guidelines

Students may wear:

- jeans
- sneakers
- short socks
- shorts no shorter than three inches above the knee
- skirts no shorter than three inches above the knee
- skorts
- sleeveless shirts that cover the shoulder
- tank tops with at least a two inch strap
- sweatshirts
- nail polish
- jewelry
- hoop earrings
- dresses
- slacks

Students may not wear:

- flip-flops or sandals (no open toe or open back shoes may be worn)
- torn, tight or worn jeans
- yoga pants, jeggings, legging or pajama pants
- spaghetti strap tank tops
- T-shirts with inappropriate writing
- biker shorts
- make-up (except grades 7 and 8)
- low cut blouses/tops
- clothing that is extremely tight
- hats

ALL UNIFORM REGULATIONS AND GUIDELINES ARE SUBJECT TO THE DISCRETION OF THE PRINCIPAL AND ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL.