UNIFORM REGULATIONS

Uniforms serve an important role in the philosophy of our Catholic school. They minimize competition and preoccupation with what we wear and help us focus more on who we are. They help us behave in accordance with our dress. Respectable dressing helps us behave respectfully. Uniforms also reduce the financial burden on parents.

All Saints Catholic Academy requires students in grades K through 8 to be in uniform from the first day of school until the last. Preschool students do not wear a uniform.

Students are a reflection upon our school and, therefore, uniform regulations should be implemented while children are in transit to and from school. Uniforms should be neat, clean and pressed and have no holes. Out of uniform days will be announced by the principal in advance. Parents - be sure to review these regulations with your children and monitor their enforcement. Violations will result in a phone call and parents will be asked to bring the proper uniform to school.

If there is an extraordinary circumstance that necessitates a child being out of uniform (on a rare occasion), a parental note <u>must</u> be sent to the office in order to allow the exception. In this case, please make sure the item worn follows our guidelines as closely as possible.

If there are any questions about uniform regulations, the principal makes the decision regarding what is allowed. Please follow these simple guidelines. Note: Anything not specifically listed in this policy is not to be worn.

GENDER	GRADE	UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS
Girls	K-3	Burgundy/maroon plaid V-neck jumper, skirt or skort (purchased through Lands End) with white or burgundy/maroon shirt or black uniform pants with burgundy/maroon or white polo or blouse. Polo or blouse must be tucked in.
Girls	4-8	Burgundy/maroon plaid skirt or skort (purchased through Lands End) or black uniform pants with burgundy/maroon or white polo, blouse or turtleneck. Polo, blouse or turtleneck must be tucked in.
Girls	K-8	Uniform pants are to be worn <u>at the waist and a black or brown belt is to be worn</u> . Only cloth or leather belts are acceptable. Girls in grades K-3 do not have to wear belts.
		Jumper/skirt/skort length must be at the top of the knee when standing.
		Solid white, black, burgundy or grey leggings/tights (NO MESH/STRIPES) may be worn under the jumper/skirt, leggings cannot have zippers, buttons or any adornment.
		Pants may be worn with the uniform skirt/jumper for recess during cold weather but are not allowed in the classroom.
		Make-up is not allowed at any grade level.
Boys	К-8	Plain black uniform pants are to be worn. Twill or corduroy are acceptable. (No jeans, cargo/carpenter pants, or colored stitching.) Pants are to be worn <u>at the waist and a black or brown belt is to be worn</u> . Only cloth or leather belts are accepted. Boys in grades K-3 do not have to wear belts.
		Shirts - Burgundy/maroon or white collared shirts, long or short sleeved, knit or broadcloth - button down collar, knit collared or turtleneck are acceptable. (No colored trim or logos.) Shirts are to be completely tucked in.
Boys and Girls	K-8	A plain white or burgundy/maroon/grey sweater, cardigan or pullover, or All Saints Catholic Academy sweatshirt (crewneck and hoodies) may be worn over the uniform shirt. Hoods may not be worn on the head while in the school building.
		Sweaters may not be longer than the uniform skirt.
		Colored, printed T-shirts or T-shirts with logos are not to be worn underneath the uniform shirt.
		Jewelry may be worn but must be appropriate and modest in style.
		lewelry – Earrings may be worn as long as they measure less than one inch in diameter. For safety reasons, we recommend only stud earrings be worn. No other body piercings are allowed.

		Body art, tattoos, body piercings (with the exception of earrings) are not allowed.
All Students	K-8	Hairstyles are considered part of the All Saints Catholic Academy uniform. No erratic styles - spiked, shaved, tails, colored hair, will be allowed. Nothing is to be "carved" into hair. Students are asked not to use excessive gel, mousse, hairspray, etc. These products should not be brought to school. Hair must be styled NOT to cover the face.
		Shoes – Conventional dress shoes or high top or gym/athletic shoes. They must completely cover the toes and heels. All shoes must be able to be tied or closed with velcro. NO BOOTS, CLOGS, SANDALS/FLIP FLOPS, CROCS or SLIPPERS. Shoes must have a conventional sole; they cannot have soft-soles. Shoes with wheels or cleats will not be allowed for safety reasons.
		Uniform black walking shorts may be worn during the months of August, September, May and June. Length should be two inches above the knee or longer. Cargo, carpenter or corduroy shorts are not acceptable. No colored stitching, decorative zippers or loops.
		Socks are to be a matching pair (must be above the shoe top). No "golf" socks or long underwear. Girls may wear solid black, white, burgundy or grey leggings or tights. (NO HOLES or MESH) Scout uniforms may be worn only on days that scout meetings are held - jeans are not permitted as part of the scout uniform.
		Gym uniforms - Grades PK-5 are to have gym shoes and girls may wear shorts under their uniform jumper/skirt/skort. Students need to have separate athletic shoes for gym class to avoid tracking dirt/gravel onto the gym floor.

August, September, April, May, and June only: School uniform shirt/blouse or All Saints Catholic Academy T-Shirts may be worn. T-shirts must be tucked into the pants/skirts. Shorts can be worn. Shorts must follow the same length requirements for school skirts and be no shorter than two inches above the knee. Both the sock policy and the shoe policy remain in effect.

OUT OF UNIFORM DAYS/OUT OF UNIFORM PASS: On special days when uniforms are not required, children are asked to dress appropriately. Out of uniform days will be held on the last Friday of the month. Appropriate out of uniform attire is:

- August, September, April, May, and June only: Shorts can be worn. Shorts must follow the same length requirements for school jumpers/skirts/skorts and be no shorter than 2 inches above the knee. Students may wear athletic pants or jeans. Sleeveless shirts are not allowed. Both the sock policy and the shoe policy remain in effect.
- All other months: Same requirements as above, although shorts may not be worn. Jeans or athletic pants may be worn. Sweatshirts may be worn as long as they are not torn and are appropriate. Boots are acceptable but must be below knee height, no spiked heels, and can be worn only during the months of *November through March*. Yoga pants, tights, leggings may be worn. However, a skirt, dress, or shorts must be worn over this item and be knee length.

Pants, whether they are uniform or out-of-uniform, cannot have holes in them.

Any student dress that is deemed inappropriate by the school administration will require the student to change into acceptable clothing immediately. If other clothing is not available from home, students will be provided with a school uniform for the day.

UNIFORM VIOLATIONS

Students with two or more uniform violations may not participate in out-of-uniform days.

Students with unacceptable hairstyles will be told to change them within a given time period. Those who continue to have it after that time period will not be allowed to attend class or participate in extracurricular activities. Instead of attending class, the student will remain in the office or place designated by the principal.