

UNIFORM AND PERSONAL APPEARANCE

Philosophy And Overview

At St. Mary's Catholic School, moderation, modesty, cleanliness, neatness, and good taste are determining factors for student appearance. One's appearance is frequently an indicator of one's attitude toward doing well. The grooming and attire of each student is to reflect an attitude of pride and respect toward self and the school, and to contribute toward establishing and maintaining an environment conducive to learning. Uniforms are worn by all students (PK-3 through sixth grade) attending St. Mary's Catholic School.

Inherent in the word uniform is uniformity. Parental support of these guidelines is extremely important. **It is the specific responsibility of each parent/guardian to ensure that the student leaves home clean and dressed appropriately in accordance with these regulations.** Parents will be notified of non-compliance and the problem will be corrected immediately.

You may purchase clothing with our logo from the following vendors: Land's End, Dennis Uniforms and French Toast. Items purchased elsewhere may have the logo put on at Cheyenne Stitch (307)634-0858; Trophy Creative LLC (307)634-6621; or Scrubs Unlimited (307) 634-3444 here in Cheyenne. While certain items may be purchased at other vendors the item must still meet the uniform specifications. If you have questions about whether an item is within the uniform policy, please contact the front office at (307) 638-9268.

*Plaid shift jumpers and plaid skirts can only be purchased from Dennis Uniforms.

*Navy jumpers must be purchased from Dennis Uniforms, French Toast or Land's End.

Dennis Uniforms	www.dennisuniforms.com	(303)730-2255	Code: CMW
French Toast-	www.frenchtoast.com	(800)373-6248	Code: QS46FX
Land's End	www.landsend.com	(800)469-222	Code: 900047176

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Final decision for any uniform policy violation, including hairstyles, will be made at the discretion of the administration. Administration reserves the right to amend the uniform policy throughout the year should the need arise.

Ties will be the responsibility of each family. However, the school will have some new ties available to be purchased. If a student forgets his or her tie on Mass Day, the school will lend them one of our used ties. If a student fails to return the borrowed tie after Mass, the family will be charged \$15.00. Used ties will not be available for sale, only new ties.

Mass Uniforms Girls Grades PK3 - 5

- Plaid shift jumper or
- *Optional – Navy chino-style pants on cold weather days
- White Peter Pan blouse - **with logo** if worn with pants, skirt, or skorts.
- Navy cross over tie (grades 2-5 only) (may be purchased from the school)
- Socks or tights – solid navy, black or white (Socks must be worn)
- Navy or Black leggings may be worn under skirts/jumpers for warmth
- Black bicycle shorts underneath if tights/leggings are not worn
- Dress Shoes or Tennis Shoes – solid black or white with laces, straps or Velcro – No slip-on shoes such as ballet flats
- Red or Navy sweater or vest **with logo** (optional)
- Tennis Shoes for P.E. if on Mass Day

Mass Uniforms Boys Grades PK3-5

- Navy chino-style pants
- White oxford shirt **with logo**
- Plaid tie (Grades 2-5 only) (may be purchased at school office)
- Socks – solid navy, white, black, or brown (Socks must be worn)
- Belt - black, navy, or brown (2nd – 5th)
- Dress Shoes or Tennis Shoes – solid black or white with laces, straps or Velcro – No slip-on shoes
- Navy or red uniform sweater or vest **with logo** (optional)
- Tennis Shoes for P.E. if on Mass Day

Mass Uniforms Girls Grade 6

- Tie - Navy cross over tie (May be purchased in school office)
- Plaid shift jumper or plaid skirt or:
 - *optional – navy or khaki chino-style pants on cold weather days
- Black bicycle shorts beneath skirts/jumpers if tights are not worn
- White oxford or Peter Pan blouse **with logo** when worn with pants or skirt
- Leggings, Socks, or tights under skirts/jumpers – solid navy, black or white (Socks must be worn)
- Dress Shoes or Tennis Shoes - solid black or white with laces, straps or Velcro – No slip-on shoes such as ballet flats
- Navy or red uniform sweater or vest **with logo** (optional)
- Navy blazer* (optional)
- Tennis Shoes for P.E. if on Mass Day

Mass Uniforms - Boys Grade 6

- Khaki or Navy chino-style pants
- White oxford shirt **with logo**
- Tie - Red/blue stripe or Marymount plaid (may be purchased from the office)
- Socks – solid navy, white, black or brown (Socks must be worn)
- Belt – black, navy, or brown
- Dress Shoes or Tennis Shoes– solid black or white with laces, straps, or Velcro – No slip-on shoes
- Navy or red uniform sweater or vest **with logo** (optional)
- Navy blazer **with logo** (optional)
- Tennis Shoes for P.E. if on Mass Day

Regular Day Uniform - Girls All grades

- Plaid or navy (or khaki for 6th grade) shift jumper, skirt, or skorts or
- Navy (or khaki colored for 6th grade) chino-style pants or shorts (no leggings, flared bottoms, or cargo style pants)
- White polo shirt or button-down blouse **with logo**
- Socks or tights – solid navy, black or white (Socks must be worn)
- Navy or Black leggings may only be worn under skirts/jumpers
- Black bicycle shorts underneath skirts/jumpers if tights/leggings are not worn
- Solid black or white shoes with laces, straps or Velcro – No slip-on shoes such as ballet flats
- Uniform sweater or vest **with logo** (optional)
- Tennis Shoes for P.E.

Regular Day Uniform - Boys All Grades

- Navy (or khaki for 6th grade) chino-style pants
- White polo shirt **with logo**
- Socks – solid navy, white, black, or brown (Socks must be worn)
- Belt - black, navy, or brown (2nd – 5th)
- Shoes – solid black or white with laces, straps or Velcro – No slip-on shoes
- Navy or red uniform sweater or vest **with logo** (optional)
- Tennis Shoes for P.E.

Uniform Notes

- Students must be in uniform during Extended Care. The only exceptions: dress down day or have been on a field trip.
- School logo is required on all sweaters, vests, shirts, blouses, turtleneck, and polos. Logos can be added at the following local vendors: Trophy Creative LLC, Cheyenne Stitch, or Scrubs Unlimited. Uniforms ordered through our online vendors will come with embroidery.
- Shirts, blouses, turtlenecks, and polos must be tucked in always (1st – 6th)
- Sweatshirts, Fleece Jackets, Fleece Vests, and Hoodies are acceptable for outside and recess only.
- No “heelys” or shoes with rollers may be worn to school even if the roller is removed.
- Shoes that are a health or safety hazard are not acceptable. No heels over 1 inch; no sandals, clogs, clunky heels, flip-flops, crocs, open toes, open heels, boots, or shoes that convert into roller skates.
- Snow boots are required when snow is on the sidewalks and playgrounds. They will be taken off prior to entering the carpeted areas of the classrooms, therefore, be sure to send appropriate indoor shoes on days when snow boots are worn.
- Shoes & Socks must be worn at all times.

Hair:

- Hair will not be dyed an unnatural color. No faddish hair styles (i.e., mohawk).
- Boys: hair trimmed neatly above the uniform shirt collar, over the ears, and above the eyebrows.

Accessories:

- Watches: One (1) gold, silver, or black watch with a gold, silver, black, or brown band less than one inch wide may be worn.
- Necklace: One religious pendant or cross may be worn. Additionally, Medical Alert identification may be worn.
- Bracelet: One gold/silver bracelet less than ½ inch may be worn. Additionally, Medical Alert identification may be worn.
- Glasses: Prescription glasses in a conventional style or contact lenses.
- Girls' Hair Accessories: Marymount plaid, navy, red, black, brown, tortoise, silver, and gold barrettes. Marymount plaid, navy, red, black, or brown, bows, headbands and scrunchies (HEADBANDS will be no more than 1 inch in width) - **must coordinate with uniform**. NOTE: No excessively ornate hair accessories as determined by the administration.
- Girls' Earrings: One pair of stud earrings worn by female students only – must be gemstone studs, pearl, silver ball, or gold ball or gold/silver cross flat to the ear. **No hoop or dangling earrings.**

Required Student Appearance

Acceptable

- Club uniforms may be worn on meeting days. If the meeting day is a Mass day, club uniforms may be worn after Mass.
- Athletic shirts may be worn on game days. If game day is a Mass day, athletic shirts may be worn after Mass.

Unacceptable

- Tattered, torn, frayed, ripped, baggy, sagging, or soiled clothing.
- Clothes that are too small for the student – skintight clothes
- Hair which is dyed an unnatural color (i.e.: pink or green) or which covers the eyes.
- Extreme or distracting hairstyles for example: punk, mohawk, shaved initials or designs.
- Artificial hair braids/hair pieces
- Tattoos or artificial skin markings, including markers or ink.
- Colored nail polish or artificial nails
- Ankle bracelets
- Make up, including eyeliner, eye shadow, lip liner, lipstick, colored lip gloss, blush, and mascara.
- Hats, sweatbands, and sunglasses worn inside the school building.
- Shirts with logos wearing off.

Field Trip Uniform

- Field Trip Uniform Days will be announced throughout the school year. The teacher sponsoring the field trip will let you know what the required dress for that event will be.

Dress Down Days

- Students may wear non-uniform clothing on occasion. Clothing will be clean, neat, and in good repair. Skirts and shorts will meet the same length requirement as the uniform skirts and shorts. T-shirts will not have any inappropriate pictures or text. Administration will make the final determination of acceptable vs. unacceptable appearance.

Dress Down Day Guidelines

Students may wear:

- jeans – **no tattered, torn, frayed, ripped, baggy, sagging, or soiled**
- tennis shoes
- shorts no shorter than 2.5 inches above the knee
- skirts no shorter than 2.5 inches above the knee
- skorts no shorter than 2.5 inches above the knee
- sweatshirts
- nail polish
- jewelry
- dresses
- slacks

Students may not wear:

- flip- flop or open toed shoes
- tank tops – unless shoulders are covered
- spaghetti straps – unless shoulders are covered
- T-shirts with inappropriate writing
- tennis shoes that convert to roller skates
- bike shorts
- pajama pants
- make-up
- hats
- costumes

Uniform Policy Enforcement

The uniform policy will be strictly enforced. The following consequences will be applied to uniform policy infractions.

Missing/Incorrect Uniform Pieces/ Unauthorized Accessories Consequences

- 1st Violation: A verbal warning will be given to the student.
- 2nd Violation: Student may lose privileges, a note may be sent home, and/or student will call parent.
- 3rd Violation: Note will be sent home and/or student will lose privileges and student will call parent.
- 4th Violation: Student will lose privileges and parent may be required to bring correct uniform pieces to the school.
- Accessories – Students will be required to remove the accessory, and it may be confiscated.
- Additional Violations: Parent will be required to bring correct uniform pieces to the school. Other consequences will be applied as determined by the principal.
- The principal may make the determination of the consequence based on the age of the student.

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