

# DRESS CODE 2024-2025

All children are expected to adhere to the school's dress code. The dress code is in effect from the first day of each school year. The principal has the authority to make the final decision on all matters related to the student dress code.

## MASS UNIFORM

*As Catholics, we believe that the Mass is the source and foundation of our lives, and that Jesus Christ is present in His Humanity and Divinity in the Eucharist. An outward sign of that belief is our reverent disposition and behavior when we go to Mass. There will be a specific dress code for ALL Mass days. Most Mass days are on Friday, but several times throughout the year, Mass falls on a different day. Please pay attention to the school calendar. Students will be required to wear the following dress uniform on Mass days.*

**All** students wear a white button up oxford shirt with a button-down collar.

**Boys** wear an oxford shirt, Schoolbelle plaid tie and choice of uniform pants or shorts, belts are optional. Socks must cover ankles.

**Girls** will wear an oxford shirt, Schoolbelle plaid cross tie, choice of uniform bottoms, plaid jumper, skirt pants or shorts, belts are optional. **Girls must wear leggings (under skirt) or socks that cover ankles when wearing pants.**

\* During winter months, students may layer their shirt with uniform sweaters, vests and sweatshirts, **No spirit wear sweatshirts or other non-uniform sweatshirts.**

## GIRLS UNIFORM

When wearing Schoolbelle banded shirts, they do not have to be tucked in. Non- banded shirts must always be tucked in. Belts are optional with pants and shorts when wearing banded shirts. Belts in a solid color of black, brown, or blue when they are worn. *Leggings (full-length or knee-length), or opaque tights, in navy blue or black must be worn under jumpers and skirts. Because we begin and end school in warm weather months, all students can wear uniform shorts from August until Nov. 1 and then again beginning on April 1 to the end of May. Girls also have the option to purchase the plaid skorts from Schoolbelles to wear during the warm months.*

Uniform sweatshirts may be worn.

**Girls in Kindergarten through 5th grade** may wear knee-length jumpers or knee-length skorts in Schoolbelle plaid, navy blue or black leggings must be worn under skirts. Navy blue shorts, or pants with a white blouse, white polo shirt, or Schoolbelle St. Vincent de Paul green polo and socks that cover the ankles. Leggings (under skirts) must accompany the jumpers and skirts.

**Girls in 6th grade through 8th grade** may wear the Schoolbelle knee-length plaid skirt or knee-length skort, navy blue or black leggings **MUST** be worn under skirts and skorts. Girls may also wear navy blue or khaki knee-length shorts or pants with a white blouse, white polo shirt or Schoolbelle St. Vincent de Paul green polo. All girls' tops and bottoms should be loose fitting. Socks must cover ankles when wearing pants or shorts. Leggings must be worn with skirts and skorts.

(Denims, jeans like, corduroys, pants with studs or rivets, skinny, joggers or cargo like pants are not permitted.)

## BOYS UNIFORM

When wearing Schoolbelle banded shirts, they do not have to be tucked in. Non- banded shirts must always be tucked in. Belts are optional. When wearing a belt, it must be in a solid color of black, brown, or blue. Uniform sweatshirts may be worn. Shorts can be worn August -27 to November-1 and again from April-1 to May-28.

**Boys in kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade** may wear navy blue uniform dress pants or shorts. (Denims, jean like, corduroys, skinny or cargo like pants are not allowed.) Plain white polo shirts with a collar or Schoolbelle St. Vincent de Paul green polo shirts are to be worn with pants or shorts.

**Boys in 6<sup>th</sup> grade through 8<sup>th</sup> grade** may wear navy blue or khaki uniform dress pants or shorts. (Denims, jean like, corduroys, skinny, jogger or cargo like pants are not allowed.) Plain white polo shirts with a collar or Schoolbelle St. Vincent de Paul green polo shirts are to be worn with pants or shorts.

## SOCKS

All students are to wear white, navy-blue or khaki socks that cover the ankles. Leggings must be worn under skirts and jumpers and are to be navy blue or black.

## SHOES

**PLEASE NOTE: If in doubt, please bring the shoes to school before they are worn.**

Dress shoes are highly encouraged. Students may wear dress shoes in solid colors of brown or black. Dress shoes in oxford style, penny-loafer, saddle-shoe (black/white), or Mary-Jane style with non-marking soles are permitted. **No boots or booties are permitted.** ALL styles of dress shoes must be black or brown color.

Athletic shoes in **mostly** white or black are permitted. (NO markings or accent colors on athletic shoes are acceptable.) The entire shoe must be mostly white or black. This includes the sole of the shoe and the shoelaces. All parts of the shoe must be mostly white or black. High tops and mid tops are not permitted.

## HAIR

All students are to have haircuts which will keep their hair out of their eyes. All students' hair is to be neatly combed.

Boys' hair must be off the collar, no significant change in length or hard parts, no shaven designs. Hair must be a natural color. Distracting styles or fads are not acceptable.

Girls' hair bows, head bands, and beads must be simple: nothing large. All hair accessories are to be the colors of white, green, navy blue, or black.

## COSMETICS AND JEWELRY

No SMART/Apple or communicating type of watch allowed.

Make-up is not permitted in any grade, with the exception of blemish cover-up makeup.

Girls in Pre-K through 8th grade may only wear clear nail polish. Artificial nails are not permitted. (Colored polish and artificial nails receive dress code violations).

Jewelry for both boys and girls is to be simple. (if large jewelry is worn it will be removed).

Girls and boys may only wear post/stud earrings. (If a student wears a different type of earring, the student must remove them).

## GYM

Students do not change clothes for gym class. Tennis shoes are required for gym class. Students can keep their gym shoes in their lockers for scheduled gym days. Athletic shoes of mostly white or black are permitted. NO markings or accent colors on athletic shoes are acceptable. The entire shoe must be mostly white or black. This includes the sole of the shoe and shoelaces. All parts of the shoe must be mostly white or black. High tops are not permitted.

Girls in kindergarten through 8th grade should bring or wear shorts under their uniform jumpers during gym class.

## DRESS DOWN /SPIRIT WEAR/ PICTURE/ DRESS UP DAYS

All students are to follow the school's appropriate guidelines. The length of shorts, skirts, dresses must be to the knee. If skinny pants or leggings are worn, the shirt length must cover the bottom. No joggers, sweatpants, etc.

No spaghetti strap tops, shoulders must be covered. No sandals, heels, boots, booties, croc-like shoes.

**Dress down days are jean days.** Meaning students can wear jeans with a favorite appropriate shirt. No joggers, sweatpants, "short" skirts or shorts.