

SECTION V: UNIFORMS

Recognizing the ever-changing nature of fashion, the school reserves the right to make decisions about the appropriateness of appearance not covered below. The school will not deem appropriate any expressions such as unconventional use of hair coloring or hair styles. The cooperation of parents and students in adhering to the letter and the spirit of the code is both expected and appreciated.

Students are expected to be in dress code from the time they enter the school building in the morning until they leave the school grounds or are participating in school athletic activities.

Any infraction of the following guidelines will result in the student being sent to the office to call home requesting that appropriate clothing be brought in. Students will **NOT** be allowed back to class until the problem is addressed. If a parent is unavailable to remedy the situation, the student will be required to return to class wearing clothing which the school has provided. Students in violation of the dress code will be required to change into appropriate dress before returning to class.

Middle school students in violation of the dress code will also be issued a demerit. This slip must be signed by a parent and returned to the homeroom teacher the next school day. Repeated infractions by the same student will require a meeting with the parents.

***The school reserves the right to have a student modify dress, hair, make-up, and jewelry that is deemed inappropriate.**

HAIR / JEWELRY AND PIERCINGS

Students may only wear jewelry in piercings of the ears. Jewelry worn in piercings of the nose or other parts of the face is not allowed.

It is not acceptable for students to have unconventional hair color such as streaking or radical colors.

Hairstyles such as mohawks or shaved patterns are not permitted.

Boys are expected to come to school clean shaven – no mustaches, goatees or beards.

UNIFORMS Grades K-8

It is the student's responsibility to know, understand, and follow the uniform policy of Holy Cross Lutheran School.

Rational for having school uniforms at Holy Cross Lutheran School: Holy Cross Lutheran School has uniforms to foster a Christian atmosphere and to improve the learning environment in our school.

Uniforms will aid us in these endeavors in the following ways:

Foster a sense of unity and belonging within the student body

Present a positive image to potential students and their parents and to the community

Provide modesty in dress as befits God's children Encourage a learning environment that is free of distractions associated with inappropriate dress

Eliminate comparisons of brand names among students

Additional benefits of school uniforms for the families of our students:

Provide a possible reduction in school clothing expenses for school families (provide two re-sales each year)

Reduce conflict in the home over school dress

Shirts

Colors: White, Dark Green, Light blue, Navy (no denim), Red, Yellow, Gray, Black

Girls' Styles:

Uniform style tops and fabrics.

No tight-fitting shirts, no sheer fabric.

No crew neck.

Polo shirts must have full sleeves, no cap sleeves

Oxford shirts must look like those listed in the catalogs

Peter Pan collars are allowed

Long-sleeve oxford

Long-sleeve polo

Long-sleeve turtleneck

Short-sleeve oxford

Short-sleeve polo

Mock turtleneck

Boys' Styles:

Long sleeve oxford

Long sleeve polo

Long sleeve turtleneck

Short sleeve oxford

Short sleeve polo

Mock Turtleneck

Pants:

Colors: Khaki (tan only), Navy, Black

Fabric: Twill/Chino/Cotton-Poly blend, uniform style

Styles:

Straight leg (No flare leg; no boot leg , "skinny" pants or tight fitting pants)

Pleated Front

Flat Front

Elastic Waist

Waist:

Elastic

Pleated

Plain front

Worn at waist

No denim

No corduroy

No cargo

No rivets

No labels (exception: tiny labels on Docker pants)

No frays/slits

No over-size

Grades 3-8: Belt must be worn with pants that have belt loops

Shorts (May be worn in August, September, October, April, May and June)

Colors: Khaki (tan only), Navy, black

Style: Uniform style shorts only-hit mid thigh or longer. Elastic waist or belted.

NO CAPRIS

Shoes

Grades K-8:

Laces must be tied tightly No sports slides No "flip-flops"

No Clogs

No high heels

Sandals may be worn on bare feet during the months shorts are allowed

Grades K-5:

Heel straps on sandals

Grades 6-8:

Backless shoes allowed (note exceptions listed above)

Socks

Solid uniform colors

All boys and girls athletic shoes must be worn with socks

Boys may wear dress socks with non-athletic shoes

Sandals may be worn without socks during the months shorts are allowed

Girls may wear knee socks or tights in the uniform colors

Girls may wear hose with non-athletic shoes

Girls may wear dress shoes without socks

Belts-plain – Black / Brown, Khaki or Navy (Required gr. 3-8, optional gr. K-2)

Undershirts- May be worn as long as they are plain/solid uniform color under a uniform shirt

Sweatshirts (collared shirt must be worn underneath)

Approved Holy Cross Spirit Wear Plain uniform colors
No zipper No hoods

Sweaters (collared shirt must be worn underneath)

Cardigan sweater in uniform colors, v-neck or crew neck, plain or cable stitch.
Sweater vest in uniform colors, v-neck or crew neck, plain or cable stitch
Plain crew or v-neck pullover sweater in uniform colors, plain or cable stitch.
No zippers
No hoods

Additional Choices

Skirts / Skorts / Jumpers
solid uniform color
cotton/twill/cotton-poly blend
no ankle length skirts or jumpers
khaki, navy or black
no corduroy
no denim

Colors: Color questions should be directed to the uniform committee.

ADDITIONAL:

No oversized clothes will be allowed.
Hems of pants should not touch the ground.
Outdoor wear is not to be worn inside the classroom.
No hats may be worn in the school.
Shirts are to be tucked in at all times.

Field Trip Dress: School uniform is to be worn unless the trip is outdoor education. Teachers will inform their class of proper dress before the trip.

Scout Troops: On meeting days the group's uniform top may be worn with the school uniform pants, skirts, etc.