

DRESS CODE

The faculty of St. Barnabas School pledges to foster religious and academic growth in all students. The primary responsibility for enforcing the uniform code belongs to the parents, enabling the staff to focus on its primary educational goals. Parental cooperation is expected.

IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF PARENTS TO MAKE SURE THE DRESS CODE IS ALWAYS OBSERVED.

Violation of the dress code will require that the proper uniform be brought to school so that your child will be appropriately attired and allowed to return to the classroom. Please check your children before they leave for school. All uniforms should be labeled with your child's name; all uniforms look alike! Your cooperation is expected and appreciated.

ALL STUDENTS, K-8, WILL WEAR UNIFORMS AS DESCRIBED BELOW

ALL STUDENTS K-8: A solid gray sweatshirt with the school logo purchased from the school spiritwear store is acceptable. Previously purchased uniform sweatshirts may be worn. **No athletic sweatshirts or hooded sweatshirts may be worn as uniform clothing.**

Tee shirts worn under school uniform shirts **must be plain white** (no motif or lettering).

No tattoos or body piercing is acceptable.

WARM WEATHER POLICY: **Khaki or navy** uniform walking shorts purchased *from the uniform company or the uniform department* of a local retailer may be worn from the beginning of school until November 1 and from April 1 until the end of the school year. **Grades 6-8 only: Khaki or navy** uniform shorts as described above may be worn year round. *See further specifications of shorts under each gender listing.*

COLD WEATHER POLICY: In colder weather, students may wear turtleneck shirts or collared shirts in **white, navy, or maroon** with uniform sweater or sweatshirt. Only St. Barnabas uniform sweatshirts purchased from the school spiritwear store may be worn in lieu of sweaters.

GRADE 8 STUDENTS: Official 8th grade class shirts may be worn year-round by 8th grade students only.

BOYS (GRADES K-8)

Pants/Shorts: Dress-style slacks and shorts must be purchased from the *uniform company of the uniform department of a local retailer* in **khaki or navy**. No other style will be allowed. They must fit around the waist and not be excessive in length.

Shirts: Shirts must be solid colors of **white, navy, or maroon**. Shirts must be tailored, have a color with buttons in front (oxford or polo style), and be exclusive of decoration. No shirts with logos, pictures, writing, etc. are considered uniform. No t-shirt should extend below the uniform shirtsleeve. **Shirts must be tucked in at all times.**

Sweaters: Crewnecks, v-necks, or cardigans may be worn in **white, navy, or maroon**.

Socks: Socks must be worn in solid colors of **white, navy, or khaki**.

Shoes: No sandals, high-heeled, open-heeled shoes or boots are appropriate. Shoes must be appropriate for physical education classes.

Jewelry: No earrings, bracelets, or rings should be worn to school. Simple neck chains with religious medals may be worn out of view (for safety reasons).

Hair: Collar-length or shorter haircuts are considered acceptable. Hair should be out of eyes. Questionable styles, including color, will be left to the discretion of the administrator. **Hair should be its natural color.**

Make-up: No make-up or nail polish is allowed.

GIRLS (GRADES K-8)

Jumpers/Skirts/Skort/Kilts: **The St. Barnabas uniform plaid is gray/maroon.** A jumper or skort is worn in grades K-4; a skirt, skort, or kilt may be chosen in grades 5-8. Jumpers/skirts/skort/kilts must be no more than 4 inches above the knee. **Parents are responsible for monitoring this.** These must be purchased from our uniform company.

Pants/Shorts: Dress-style slacks and shorts must be purchased from the *uniform company or the uniform department* of a local retailer in **khaki or navy**. No other style will be allowed. They must fit around the waist and not be excessive in length.

Shirts: Blouses or shirts must be solid colors of **white, navy, or maroon**. Shirts must be tailored, have a collar with buttons in front (oxford or polo style), and be exclusive of decoration. No shirts with logos, pictures, writing, etc. are considered uniform. No t-shirt should extend below the uniform shirtsleeve. **Shirts must be tucked in at all times.**

Sweaters: Crewnecks, v-necks, or cardigans may be worn in **white, navy, or maroon**.

Socks: Socks must be worn in solid colors of **white, navy, or maroon**.

Tights: **Plain, white, navy, or maroon** tights in solid colors are allowed.

Shoes: No sandals, high-heeled, open-heeled shoes or boots are appropriate. Shoes must be appropriate for physical education classes.

Jewelry: Only small stud earrings are acceptable. No dangly hoop styles are allowed. No bracelets or rings should be worn to school. Simple neck chains with religious medals may be worn out of view (for safety reasons).

Hair: Hair should be out of eyes. Hair accessories should coordinate with the uniform. Questionable styles, including color, will be left to the discretion of the administrator. **Hair should be its natural color.**

Make-up: No make-up is allowed.

OUT- OF- UNIFORM DRESS CODE GUIDELINES

On days when out-of-uniform attire is approved modest, tasteful attire is always a requisite. Length and fit of clothing always follows the uniform guidelines. These would include but are not limited to the following: stockings/socks at all times, no bare midriffs, no tank tops, spaghetti straps, or bare shoulders, no suggestive writing on t-shirts or other pieces of clothing. Clothing must be neat and clean and fit appropriately. Choices should include clothing that is recognized as proper school attire.

When there is a question about the propriety of selected attire, make wise choices or choose the uniform.

Questionable styles are left to the discretion of the principal.