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13. Appearance and Student Uniform Requirements

13.1 INTRODUCTION

Student dress, grooming, and personal cleanliness impact the image of St. Francis Parish School. It is a part of our school tradition to wear uniforms to avoid class distinction and over-interest in fads. Besides representing school families, the clean, up-to-code uniform draws students' attention to community responsibility. A neat, clean, and tasteful appearance with well-groomed hair creates an atmosphere of confidence, respect, and learning. Moreover, it is an opportunity to uphold, reflect on, and respect the dignity of the human person. In adhering to the St. Francis Parish School uniform and dress code, students practice the virtues of humility, modesty, obedience, and respect.

It is the joint responsibility of parents and students to see that the uniform and dress code of the school is carried out daily; it is the responsibility of the teacher and staff to monitor and report non-compliance. Every student is expected to be in proper uniform every school day unless otherwise authorized. The uniform should be neat, clean, and in good repair. Violations of any uniform, dress code and appearance requirements are subject to school disciplinary sanctions.

The school cannot anticipate every fashion trend that may develop and therefore reserves the right to make judgments regarding the application of these general guidelines to specific items at any time.

13.2 BASIC UNIFORMS

- K-4; Navy bottoms (pants, shorts, skorts), white logoed tops, plaid jumpers
- 5-8; Khaki bottoms (pants, shorts, skorts), green logoed tops, plaid skirts
- K-8; Green Logoed Sweatshirt, Solid Navy or Tommy Hilfiger Navy Varsity sweater, Green Logoed Jackets
- Solid white or black socks that cover the ankles
- Solid white or black shoes

13.3 SPECIFIC UNIFORMS

K-4 Grade Girls

- Tommy Hilfiger Blackwatch Plaid Shift
- Tommy Hilfiger navy blue skirt, shorts, or pants
- Black or brown belt with pants or shorts (**3rd and 4th grades**)
- White long or short sleeve StF logo polo shirt
- Shirts must be tucked in at all times
- Crossover tie (*optional*)
- Length of plaid jumpers and plaid skirts to be **no more than three (3) inches above the floor when kneeling.** (We use 3x5 inch note cards to measure) Shorts and skorts maybe five (5) inches above the knee
- Formal** (*Worn on Mass Days*) Tommy Hilfiger plaid jumper, white peter pan collar blouse
- Outerwear** Navy blue Tommy Hilfiger sweater or vest, dark green cardigan, vest or fleece StF jacket, StF Logo Green Quilted Vest, StF logo green sweatshirt.

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- Socks** White, black, or navy cuffed socks, knee highs, or tights (not leggings). Socks must cover ankles.
- Shoes may ONLY be solid black or solid white tennis shoes, with laces - logos may be in gray or silver. No other colors, please.** The following shoes are **NOT** acceptable: slip-on shoes/tennis shoes, ballet flats, open-toed shoes, sandals, boots (including Ugg boots), and high-top shoes. **No hard-soled shoes.** No exceptions
- PE Clothes** (4th grade only) gray SFPS t-shirt and green SFPS shorts

5th-8th Grade Girls

- Tommy Hilfiger Blackwatch Plaid Skirt
- Tommy Hilfiger Khaki skirt, shorts, or pants
- Black or brown belt with pants or shorts with belt loops
- Green long or short sleeve StF logo polo shirt
- Shirts must be tucked in at all times
- Length of plaid skirts to be **no more than three (3) inches above the floor when kneeling.** (We use 3x5 inch note cards to measure) Shorts and skorts maybe five (5) inches above the knee
- Formal** (*Worn on Mass Days*) Tommy Hilfiger plaid skirt, white button-down logo blouse, necktie (*optional*).
- StF logo green sweatshirt. 8th-grade green StF Class sweatshirt. No Challenge Girls sweatshirts.
- Outerwear** Navy blue Tommy Hilfiger sweater or vest, dark green cardigan, vest or fleece StF jacket, StF Logo Green Quilted Vest, StF logo green sweatshirt. 8th-grade green StF Class sweatshirt. Challenge Girls sweatshirts.
- Socks** White, black, or navy cuffed socks, knee highs, or tights (not leggings). Socks must cover ankles.
- Shoes may ONLY be solid black or solid white tennis shoes with laces.** The following shoes are **NOT** acceptable: slip-on shoes/tennis shoes, ballet flats, open-toed shoes, sandals, boots (including Ugg boots), and high-top shoes. **No hard-soled shoes.** No exceptions
- PE Clothes** gray SFPS t-shirt and green SFPS shorts

Also

- No make-up may be worn.
- Hairstyles are to be neat and in good taste. Excessive haircuts are not acceptable.
- No hair pieces, wigs, or hair extensions.
- **Hair accessories** are to be “understated” and coordinated with the color of the uniform. (Forest Green, Navy Blue, White, or Black)
- No colored hair.
- Girls may wear post earrings no larger than a dime and not dangling. (for safety)
- A religious necklace or bracelet, a watch, and one ring per child may be worn. NO Smart Watches
- Shoelaces are to be tied (white or black laces only)
- No long underwear, printed or colored t-shirts under the uniform shirt.
- No leg warmers.
- No writing on hands or body parts.
- No fingernail polish or fake fingernails.
- No excessive hair gel or spiked hair.
- No hats or caps may be worn in the building.
- Girl Scout uniforms can be worn on meeting days

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K-4th Grade Boys

- Tommy Hilfiger navy twill shorts or pants
- Black or brown belt (**3rd and 4th grades only**)
- White long or short sleeve StF logo polo shirt
- Shirts must be tucked in at all times
- Formal** (*Worn on Mass Days*) Tommy Hilfiger navy pants, white oxford logo shirt, necktie (*optional*)
- Outerwear** Navy blue Tommy Hilfiger sweater or vest, dark green cardigan, vest or fleece, StF jacket, StF Logo Green Quilted Vest, StF logo green sweatshirt.
- Socks** White or black crew socks or knee highs. Socks must cover ankles.
- Shoes may ONLY be solid black or solid white tennis shoes with laces.** The following shoes are **NOT** acceptable: slip-on shoes/tennis shoes, open-toed shoes, sandals, boots (including Ugg boots), and high-top shoes. **No hard-soled shoes.** No exceptions
- PE Clothes** (*4th grade only*) gray SFPS t-shirt and green SFPS shorts

5th-8th Grade Boys

- Tommy Hilfiger khaki shorts or pants
- Black or brown belt
- Green short or long sleeve StF logo shirt
- Shirts must be tucked in at all times
- Formal** (*Worn on Mass Days*) Tommy Hilfiger khaki pants, white oxford logo shirt, necktie (*required*). StF logo green sweatshirt. 8th-grade green StF Class sweatshirt. No Conquest Boys sweatshirts.
- Outerwear** 8th-grade green StF Class sweatshirt, StF Logo Green Quilted Vest
- Socks** White or black crew socks or knee highs. Socks must cover ankles.
- Shoes may ONLY be solid black or solid white tennis shoes with laces.** The following shoes are **NOT** acceptable: slip-on shoes/tennis shoes, open-toed shoes, sandals, boots (including Ugg boots), and high-top shoes. **No hard-soled shoes.** No exceptions
- PE Clothes** gray SFPS t-shirt and green SFPS shorts

Also

- No colored hair.
- Hair to be neat and clean.
- Boys' hair length must be no longer than the tops of the ears and the top of the collar. Hair may not touch the eyebrows. Sideburns cut at mid-ear. No piercings are allowed.
- Excessive haircuts or shaven configurations (ridge lines) are not permitted.
- Shoelaces are to be tied (white or black only)
- No long underwear, printed or colored t-shirts under the uniform shirt.
- No writing on hands or body parts.
- No excessive hair gel or spiked hair.
- No beards or facial hair.
- No hats or caps may be worn in the building.
- Scouting uniforms can be worn on meeting days.

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13.4 GENERAL DRESS CODE and UNIFORM REGULATIONS

- All clothing should be marked clearly with the student's first and last name
- Uniform items need to be size-appropriate
- Only Black or White gym shoes that are solid and without patterns of any kind.
- Sandals and open-toed shoes are never allowed.
- Only school uniform sweatshirts may be worn.
- Outer coats may be worn over the uniform while outside, but not in the classroom (sweaters only).
- Students must call home for a change of clothes if out of uniform.
- If circumstances prevent a student from coming to school in uniform, a note must be sent to the teacher. The substitute uniform should be as similar to the uniform as possible.
- NO HATS
- NO TATTOOS, permanent or washable
- No fake nails, nail polish, or French manicures.
- A clean, well-groomed appearance is required for students. Students sent to school without attention to cleanliness, uniform, or neatness may be sent home to be properly prepared for school.
- Make-up, lipstick, or colored lip gloss are not permitted for the school day.
- Clear lip balm only is permitted.
- Hairstyles are to be simple, clean, and neat. Hair must be its natural color with no highlights, no fads, distinct layers, or distracting hairstyles.
- Boys' hair must be out of the eyes, above the ears, and off the collar.
- Boys must be clean-shaven (when applicable).
- The only acceptable forms of jewelry that may be worn at any time include a wristwatch (for boys or girls), one pair of matching stud earrings for girls only (to be worn one in each earlobe only), a holy medal, cross, or crucifix on a chain, a scapular that is worn inside the shirt or blouse (for boys or girls), or a medical alert necklace and/or bracelet when necessary (no other bracelets may be worn).
- No Apple watches or data using watches.

13.5 JEAN DAY DRESS CODE

Jean Day Dress code expectations are to be followed:

- Jeans of any color, shorts or pants.
- Shirts must be a St Francis Parish School shirt, Kindness shirt, or Active Christian Leader shirt.
- No sweats, torn pants, pants with holes, gym shorts, yoga pants, or tight jeans.
- Jean short length is to extend to the end of the fingertips when hands are extended down the side of the shorts.
- The waistband is at the natural/normal waistline of the student.
- No matter what dress is approved, students are required to wear black/white school shoes with socks for insurance and safety reasons.
- No tank tops or spaghetti straps.

13.6 FREE DRESS

- Modesty and simplicity are guiding principles for free dress.
- No extreme fads
- Jeans in good repair (with no holes, intentional or otherwise) will be acceptable for casual "free dress" (not on "dress up" days or addressing the student body at Mass).

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- Pants of any kind must fit appropriately (i.e., not skin tight, no spandex, and no skinny jeans).
- Pants should be worn at the waist (no sagging).
- Halters, tank tops, or spaghetti straps are not allowed.
- No midriff shirts, loose baggy trousers, cutoffs, see-through shirts, or bike shorts are allowed.
- Objectionable clothing displaying images (e.g., alcohol, tobacco, drugs, controversial rock groups, or themes) is not allowed.
- School shoes only.
- Sandals are not allowed.
- Socks must be worn at all times.
- Shorts must be no shorter than 5 inches above the knee when kneeling.
- If there is doubt as to what is appropriate, bring your uniform.