



St Joseph High School 2020-2021 Dress Code

A. Philosophy

The dress code at St Joseph High School is based on our belief that learning is a serious enterprise. Our dress code is an important part of the school's tradition. The dress code is not based upon fad or current modern fashion. All students are obliged to dress for school in accordance with the dress code, following both the letter and spirit of the dress code.

B. Dress Code- All Students

Polo Shirts

A short or long sleeve polo shirt for boys and a short or long sleeve over blouse for girls bearing the St. Joseph High School insignia in our school colors (no black polo shirts and no rugby style shirts) may be worn throughout the academic school year. They are available for purchase from Blake's Uniform Store (www.blakesschooluniform.com).

Students who have purchased approved club, activity or team polos may wear their shirts in place of the school polo. **Approved team jerseys may be worn on Fridays only when the sport is in season, NOT on game days.** A solid, white, short sleeve t-shirt or tank top is the only shirt acceptable for wear under the uniform shirt / polo.

Outerwear

Outerwear is optional. Any student who chooses to wear outerwear during the school day may choose to wear the school fleece (available in ¾ zip or full zip) or micro-fleece (available in ¾ zip only). Both the fleece and micro-fleece are available in maroon or grey. The fleece may be purchased at Blake's Uniforms or the SJHS Bookstore. The micro-fleece is available exclusively through the SJHS Bookstore. All other outerwear (jackets, vests, pullovers etc.) must be kept in the lockers during the school day.

A proper uniform shirt must be worn under the outerwear at all times.

The bookstore sells outerwear that may not be acceptable to wear in school on a daily basis, please check with the Dean of Students before making any purchases to determine if the apparel may be worn during the school day.

Shoes

The only acceptable footwear for all students is: a closed toe shoe, below the ankle with a full back, rigid heel and sole. Shoes may be brown, black, navy blue or grey. Sneakers, boots, sandals, slippers, moccasins, or any shoe with visible "fur or fuzz" are not allowed (i.e. Uggs, Timberlands, etc.).

Appearance

Hairstyles must meet conventional standards appropriate for work in a professional business office setting in order to participate in any function or activity of the school. Extremes of length, style, cut, or color are not permitted,

including streaks of color in the hair or “dipped” hair. Also prohibited are any designs cut, shaved, or dyed into one’s hair, or beads woven into the hair.

Tattoos, which are visible while the student is acting as a member of the St. Joseph High School community, are prohibited. Body piercings (except for girl’s earrings in the lobe) are prohibited. Students will be required to remove the offending item prior to being allowed to participate in any function or activity of the school. Claims that the offending item cannot be removed because it is a recent piercing will not be accepted. Band aids may not be worn over offending items.

Hats are not permitted at any time, including dress down days. Torn, marked or soiled uniforms will not be permitted. All attire and accessories (including jewelry) must be consistent with the values and expectations of St. Joseph High School. Any spiked or studded clothing or accessories will not be permitted.

C. Boys Dress Code

In addition to the rules for all students, the following are also required of all boys:

Boys may choose to wear a solid, pastel-colored oxford shirt. The approved colors are white, blue, yellow or pink. No small print, flannel or dark colored (red, black, grey etc.) shirts are allowed. A tie must be worn with the oxford shirt. All shirts, both polo and oxford, must be buttoned to the neckline and properly tucked into the slacks.

Traditional style navy blue or khaki dress slacks are required of boys. The dress slacks are to be hemmed, properly fitted and worn at the waist with a belt. Pants may not be rolled above the ankles. No jean style pants, cargo pants, corduroy pants or any pants with external pockets or zippers may be worn. Socks must be worn at all times and they must cover the ankles.

All boys must be clean-shaven (no facial hair) while acting as a member of the St. Joseph High School community. The length of the side burns may not extend past the bottom of the ear. No earrings are allowed at any time; band aids may not be worn over the ears during the school day.

Hair length must not be beyond the top of the shirt collar. Extreme differences in hair length are not allowed; different lengths must blend seamlessly into one another (i.e. cannot be long on top and shaved on the sides). See “Hairstyles” in ALL STUDENTS section: “Extremes of length” include, but are not limited to, shaved heads, Mohawks, etc.

D. Girls Dress Code

In addition to the rules for all students, the following are also required of all girls:

A short or long sleeve knit over blouse for girls bearing the St. Joseph High School insignia in our school colors may be worn throughout the academic school year. Girls are not permitted to wear oxford dress shirts.

Ankle socks, knee socks, or solid colored tights or nylons must be worn at all times.

Girls may wear a blue or gray kilt, or blue or gray uniform skirt, which must be purchased from Blake’s Uniform Company. All skirts must be worn to the knee, a length considered to be modest by the Administration.

Girls also have the option of wearing traditional style navy blue or khaki dress slacks. The slacks are to be hemmed, properly fitted and worn at the waist. No jean style, cargo, corduroy, low rise, or tight fitting pants or any pants with external pockets or zippers may be worn.

Hairstyles, hair color, makeup and jewelry, must be suitable for professional office wear. Nose rings are prohibited.