Holy Cross Catholic School Dress Code Policies 2021-22 School Year

Uniforms are worn in all grades from K-8 and must be worn to and from school. The dress code is to be followed from the first day of the school year.

All clothing: no trim, lace or logos (except for Holy Cross's) are permitted on any regular school day clothing. **All bottoms**: "cargo" (with outside pockets) or "jeans" (with outside seam stitching) styles are NOT acceptable. More information and images of acceptable clothing are available on the school website: http://holycrossonline.net/uniform/

Girls' Uniform

Tops

- Polo shirts—navy blue, white, or light blue
- Button down blouses—white or light blue
- Sweaters / vests—white or navy blue
- Approved spirit wear quarter-zips with school logo (purchased from TP Logo)

Bottoms

- Dress pants / shorts—navy blue or khaki (leggings are NOT acceptable as pants)
- Jumpers / skirts / shorts—navy blue, khaki, or plaid #83

Shoes

- Mary Janes and flats—black, brown or navy blue
- Saddle shoes—navy blue and white

Accessories

- Socks—crew or ankle length (covering the ankle bone) or knee high: navy, black or white
- Tights—navy blue or white
- Nylons—may be worn by girls in grades 5-8

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- Button down blouses—white or light blue
- Jumpers / skirts / shorts—navy blue, khaki or plaid #83
- In winter months (October through April), girls may wear pants (navy blue or khaki)

Boys' Uniform

Tops

- Polo shirts—navy blue, white or light blue
- Button down dress shirts—white or light blue
- Sweaters / vests-white or navy blue
- Approved spirit wear quarter-zips with school logo (purchased from TP Logo)

Bottoms

- Dress pants / shorts—navy blue or khaki (leggings are NOT acceptable as pants)
- Belts—required in grades 4-8; must be leather (or leather-like) and be dark brown, navy, blue or black

Shoes

 Sturdy Oxford / dress shoe—black, brown or navy blue

Socks

 Socks—crew or ankle length (covering ankle bone) or knee high: navy, black or white

Mass uniform

- Button down shirt—white or light blue (NO polo shirts)
- Tie—traditional or bow tie, solid or conservative in color
- Dress pants—navy blue or khaki

THE PRINCIPAL AND HIS / HER DESIGNEE HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO ENFORCE THE DRESS CODE ACCORDING TO THEIR INTERPRETATION. DISCUSSION REGARDING APPROVED CLOTHING MUST BE ADDRESSED TO THE PRINCIPAL. In the end, if you are not sure of an article of clothing, bring it to school for the Principal's review (bring a change of clothes with you).

Gym Day Uniform

On their gym day, students may wear an approved gym day uniform instead of the regular school uniform. They may arrive at school in the gym day uniform and wear it all day. (They may also opt to wear their regular school uniform on gym days.) The gym day uniform is as follows:

Tops

- Plain navy t-shirt: long sleeve or short sleeve
- Spirit wear t-shirt: long sleeve or short sleeve with current school logo
- Plain navy sweatshirt / hoodie
- Spirit wear hoodie (with current school logo)

Bottoms

- **Shorts**—may be worn only May 1-September 30. Outside of that, students may wear their shorts under their pants to school (and wear just the shorts for gym).
- Socks must still be white, navy or black.
- Gym shoes remain the same—must have non-marking soles.
- **Spirit wear** is available through TP Logos and Screen and Stitch. (Watch the school newsletter or check the school website for ordering information.)

All other gym day uniform options must be purchased through French Toast (see the school website for links):

- Fleece sweatpant #1605 in navy
- Fleece jogger pant #1608 in navy
- Heavy cotton tee #4105 in navy
- Short sleeve performance tee #4420 in navy
- Long sleeve heavy cotton tee #4106 in navy
- Closed mesh short #1682 in navy
- Heavy cotton crewneck sweatshirt #4111 in navy
- Heavy cotton hoodie #4110 in navy
- Heavy cotton full zip hoodie #4112 in navy

For some students, it may be a good idea to send a little bag with a personal hygiene kit: deodorant, wipes, etc.

Uniform Policies for ALL Students

- Hair should be neat, trimmed, styled and kept out of the eyes. No extreme hair styles or colors will be allowed; no designs or stripes, skater cuts, or single strands of long hair. Boys' hair must be off the collar. Girls' hair must be neatly contained—plain barrettes may be worn if kept conservative. No bleaching, coloring, spiking, or other embellishment of hair is allowed: no extensions, feathers or beads are permitted.
- Shirts must be tucked in.
- Shorts may be worn from May 1 through September 30. The Principal may designate other days.
- Shoes—high heeled shoes, shoes with platforms, and boots are not permitted to be worn in school (if boots are worn to school, the student must bring appropriate shoes to change into). Backless or open toed shoes or sandals may not be worn in school. Gym shoes or dress-down-day sneakers should have non-marking soles. No wheeled shoes are permitted. NO athletic shoe is acceptable as a dress shoe.
- Jewelry may be worn sparingly. A single necklace and bracelet may be worn. Small post or small hoop earrings are allowed for girls (one set only, one in each ear). Boys may not wear earrings. No other costume jewelry is permitted.
- Makeup—girls may wear clear or light colored, neutral nail polish. Middle school girls may wear light, natural makeup.
- ALL tops must be plain in style, with no logos or trim.
- ALL shorts, skirts, jumpers and skorts must be between fingertip- and knee-length. Girls are encouraged to wear shorts, tights, or solid color navy blue or white leggings under skirts or jumpers.
- Cargo style pocketed pants / skirts / shorts are not acceptable.
- **Sweaters**, when worn, must be worn with a collared shirt.
- Spirit wear may NOT be worn on Mass days. Spirit T-shirts are NOT acceptable as a uniform shirt.
- Clothes are to be kept clean and in good repair, and fit properly: i.e. not too tight or loose, not too short, and properly hemmed.
- **Gym class**—students in grades 5-8 are to wear comfortable, loose-fitting gym pants / shorts (longer than fingertip length) and a t-shirt with no inappropriate writing or pictures. All students need athletic shoes for gym class: non-marking soles are mandatory. On gym day, students may wear plain, **solid navy** gym clothes to school as described under "Gym Day Uniform."
- Tattoos or simulated tattoos are always unacceptable.
- "Dress Up" days—occasionally days are designated "dress up"—often, if students are participating in a field trip to a concert or play. Clothing should be neat, conservative, and appropriate "Sunday best." Pants and dresses or skirts must be tailored and appropriate length (between fingertip- and kneelength for skirts). Blouses and shirts must be collared and have modest necklines. Dresses and tops must not be sleeveless (unless there is a jacket worn over them). Uniform shoes or similar dress shoe. Students' regular school clothing may be worn on "dress up" days.
- "Dress Down" days—sweatpants / athletic pants are not acceptable. Clothes should be neat and clean, with no holes, frays or patches. Sweaters, sweatshirts and T-shirts with appropriate slogans and designs are permitted. Girls' shirts must have modest necklines.
- **Field Trip dress code**—regular school uniform should be worn unless teacher specifies otherwise (for such experiences as going to the zoo or a farm, or to the theater, for example) on the permission form.

Consequences for Dress Code Violations:

- First offense—written warning and replacement clothing from the "Blue Room"
- Second offense—replacement clothing from "Blue Room" and must wear Mass uniform for two days
- Third offense—replacement clothing from "Blue Room," must wear Mass uniform for five days and loss of next "dress down" day.