



## Holy Cross Catholic School Dress Code

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

### **Girls Uniform**

#### **Tops**

- Polo Shirt - navy blue, white, or light blue
- Button Down Blouse - white or light blue
- Sweaters & Vests - white or navy blue (both must be worn with collared shirt)
- Approved Spirit Wear Quarter-Zip with Crest (Purchased from TP Logo or Screen & Stitch) (must be worn with collared shirt)

#### **Bottoms**

- Pants - navy blue or khaki (leggings are not acceptable as pants)
- Skirts/Shorts - navy blue, khaki, or plaid number #83
  - No more than 2" above the top of knee

#### **Dresses/Jumpers**

- Dresses must have collar
- Jumpers must be worn with collared shirt
- Navy blue, khaki, or plaid #83
- No more than 2" above the top of knee

#### **Shoes**

- Mary Janes & Flats - black, brown, or navy blue
- Saddle Shoes - navy blue and white
- Monochromatic Black Sneakers (all black including logos & soles)

#### **Accessories**

- Socks - navy, black, or white
  - Socks should be crew or full length (cover ankle bone) or knee high
  - NO Logos are permitted - must be plain navy, black, or white
- Tights - navy blue or white
- Leggings (only permitted under skirts and jumpers) - navy blue or white

#### **Mass Uniform**

- Button Down Blouse - white or light blue
- Jumpers/Skirts/Shorts - navy blue, khaki, or plaid number #83 (no more than 2" above the knee)
- Dress Pants - navy blue or khaki

## Boys Uniform

### Tops

- Polo Shirt - navy blue, white, or light blue
- Button Down Dress Shirt - white or light blue
- Sweaters & Vests - white or navy blue (both must be worn with collared shirt)
- Approved Spirit Wear Quarter-Zip with Crest (Purchased from TP Logo or Screen & Stitch) (must be worn with collared shirt)

### Bottoms

- Pants/Shorts - navy blue or khaki (leggings are not acceptable as pants)
- Belts - are required in grades 4-8. Belts must be leather (or leather-like) and be dark brown, navy blue, or black

### Shoes

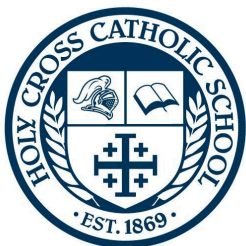
- Sturdy Oxford/Dress Shoe - black, brown, or navy blue
- Monochromatic Black Sneakers (all black including logos & soles)

### Socks

- Socks - navy, black, or white
  - Socks should be crew or full length (cover ankle bone) or knee high
  - NO Logos are permitted - must be plain navy, black, or white

### Mass Uniform

- Button Down Shirt - white or light blue (no polo shirts)
- Tie - traditional or bowtie (solid or conservative ties)
- Dress Pants/Shorts - navy blue or khaki (no more than 2" above the knee)



## Uniform Policies for ALL Students

- **Hair** should be neat, trimmed, styled, and kept out of the eyes. No extreme hair styles or colors are permitted, no designs or stripes, skater cuts, or single strands of long hair. Boys are expected to have their hair above ears and eyebrows and off the collar. Girls' hair must be neatly contained—plain hair accessories may be worn if kept within the school colors (see uniform photos for color reference). No bleaching, coloring, spiking, or other embellishment of hair is allowed; no extensions, feathers or beads are permitted.
  - Hair violations will be given one week to obtain compliance. If longer, student will not be permitted to return to school until in compliance.
- **Shirts** must be tucked in
- **Shorts** may be worn from May 1 through September 30. The Principal may designate other days. The shorts must be navy blue or tan khaki, knee length, and be similar to the uniform pants. Shorts must be no more than 2" above the knee.
- **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 opened toed shoes or sandals may not be worn in school. No wheeled shoes are permitted. No boat shoes.
  - Boys' Dress Shoes - Sturdy oxford dress shoe.
  - Girls' Dress Shoes - Mary Janes, ballet flats, and saddle shoes - black, brown, or navy blue.
  - Boys & Girls - Monochromatic Black Sneakers - must be completely black (ALL parts on shoe must be black, including sole, laces, markings), must have laces, and must be sneakers (no casual loafers like "*Hey Dudes*."
- **Jewelry** may be worn sparingly. A single necklace and bracelet may be worn. Small post or small hoop earrings are allowed for girls. 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.
- Tattoos or simulated tattoos are unacceptable.
- Brand logos (Nike, Under Armour, Polo) are not permitted.
- All skirts, jumpers, skorts and shorts must be no more than 2" above the knee. Girls are encouraged to wear shorts, tights, or solid color navy blue or white leggings under skirts or jumpers.
- Cargo style pocketed pants/skirts are not acceptable.
- Sweaters and quarter-zips, when worn, must be worn with a collared shirt.
- Spirit t-shirts and/or hoodies are not permitted as uniform.
- 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.
- **"Dress Up" days** - Occasionally days are designated "dress up." Clothing should be neat, conservative, and appropriate. Pants and dresses or skirts must be tailored and appropriate length (no more than 2" above the knee). Leggings are only permitted if worn with a dress or skirt. Blouses and shirts must have modest necklines. Dresses and tops must not be sleeveless (unless there is a jacket worn over them). Uniform shoes or a dress shoe. Students' regular school clothing may be worn.

- **"Dress Down" Days** - Clothes should be neat and clean, with no holes, frays, or patches. Sweatshirts and T-shirts with appropriate slogans and designs are permitted, as well as sweaters/sweatshirts. Sweatpants or jeans ONLY. No leggings or fitted athletic pants are allowed unless worn with a dress or skirt.
  - Dress Down Day Violation - Student will lose the next dress down day privilege. Students violating a dress down for punch cards earned for summer enrichment will lose one dress down day on card.
- "Skirt Rolling" will be a dress code violation.
- **Field Trip Dress Code** - regular school uniform should be worn unless the teacher specifies otherwise (for such experiences as going to the zoo or a farm, or to the theater, for example) on the permission forms.
- **Unacceptable Attire** includes (but is not limited to): spaghetti straps, miniskirts, inappropriate labels or pictures, yoga pants, leggings/jeggings, bare-shouldered shirts (including "cold shoulder" style) as well as shirts that come above the waistline.

We encourage our students to take pride in their Holy Cross Catholic School uniform. Our dress code fosters the goals of Catholic education by promoting concepts of equality and community in young people. Therefore, proper school attire and grooming are considered an important element in creating an atmosphere in which educational objectives are prioritized. Parents will be notified when students fail to comply with the school uniform policy and consequences will be given.

Conformance to the required dress code is primarily the responsibility of the parents/guardians and the students. The most effective place to resolve dress issues is in the home prior to the student leaving for school in the morning. Teachers are not to be expected to use precious class time to enforce the school's dress code. Once the student arrives at school improperly dressed, this brings the problem to school where it then has to be resolved, taking valuable learning time away from both the student and the rest of the class.

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.

**UNIFORM VIOLATIONS**

Students are expected to dress in the proper school attire and be neatly groomed at all times.

1st Offense	2nd Offense	3rd Offense	4th Offense
• Verbal Warning	• Written Warning • FACTS Behavior Report • Must wear Mass uniform the next day.	• FACTS Behavior Report • Student must call home • Must wear Mass uniform for five days and loss of next dress down day.	• FACTS Behavior Report • Student will be asked to leave and will not be permitted to return until parents, student, homeroom teacher, and principal meet.

**“The mission of Holy Cross Catholic School is to foster a setting to ignite a joyful spirit of Christian discipleship in collaboration with families, staff and parish in personalized learning culture.”**