



ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Uniform Expectations and Requirements 2024-2025 School Year

The purpose of uniforms is to teach students appropriate dress and to avoid the conflicts of “status” dressing. It also lessens the time and effort spent on what to wear in the morning and reduces the number of distractions in the classroom.

Please refer to the Uniform Charts as a reminder of what uniform pieces to wear each day. Parents have the option of price shopping from any vendor **if color and quality are equivalent to the main vendors**. The main vendor’s who offer embroidery include:

- Lands’ End - www.landsend.com. School Code: 900182130
- Tommy Hilfiger - www.globalschoolwear.com/GSWSearch School Code: STJO28

Zig Zag Designs is a local option for the embroidery of items purchased from other vendors. Zig Zag Designs may wait to process multiple orders at one time. To inquire about cost and turnaround times, please contact Zig Zag Designs at 864-414-3018 or zigzagdesigns44@gmail.com.

The *Used Uniform Sale* will continue to be scheduled for families to purchase gently used items at greatly reduced prices. Look for the date announcement before the start of school.

General Expectations:

- All students are expected to follow the Uniform Chart for approved uniform items.
- All students are expected to be neatly dressed and groomed every day. Shirts must be tucked into pants, shorts, or skirts/skorts. Belts are to be worn with pants and shorts – required in 3rd grade and up.
- “No-show” socks are not permitted, and shoes should be appropriate for school. Shoelaces should be white or black, no trendy laces. Open-toed or open heel shoes, shoes with lights, roller shoes, multi-colored shoes, Crocs, and boots are not permitted.
- Students are not permitted to wear makeup. For girls, only natural nail polish is allowed.
- Christian jewelry is allowed - short necklaces, bracelets, and rings - only if they do not create a distraction or safety issue. Girls with pierced ears may only wear one stud in each ear. No dangling earrings or hoops. Boys are not permitted to wear any type of earring.



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- Hair ribbons and barrettes must be simple and are to be limited to the uniform colors (plaid, navy blue, green, yellow, or white). Holiday bows/pins will be permitted on designated days only.
- Any devices that can send/receive calls or messages are not permitted.
- A basic watch is all students need at school. Any watch that is a “fad” or “trendy” is not permitted. iPhone watches and are not permitted.
- “Fad” haircuts, non-natural colored hair, “mermaid” hair, or clip-in extensions for boys or girls are not permitted. Boy’s hair should be above and not touching the shirt collar and trimmed around the ears.
- Uniform pieces must be replaced as they become outgrown, worn out, or stained.
- Any jackets or outerwear that a student wants to wear for the whole day must be navy. Heavy coats worn on cold winter days do not have to match the school colors but shall not be worn in the building.
- Please refer to the Parent/Student Handbook for a full list of expectations and requirements for Dress Down Days.

Regular uniforms will be worn at the beginning of the school year. Winter uniforms typically begin after Thanksgiving Break and are worn until Easter Break. In case of hot weather, the school may decide to start the “summer” uniform earlier. The school will notify parent(s)/guardian(s) of the exact dates for uniform changes.

If students are wearing their uniforms outside of school, please remember they reflect our school. They should look and behave as a representative of St. Joseph Catholic School.

Please contact the school if you have any questions.