



South Hills Catholic Academy

Student Dress Code & Uniform Policy



2022-2023

Appropriate dress helps students foster a positive attitude about themselves and about school and learning. The uniform dress code is followed by all students in grades K through 8. Our uniform provider is Pro3 Services.



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GIRLS:

Girls in grades K through 3 wear the uniform plaid jumper or plaid skort with a **white** polo purchased from the uniform store on Mass days. On non-Mass days, in addition to the jumper, girls also have the option of wearing the plaid skort with the white, navy, or dark green uniform polo **with school logo**, or khaki pants/uniform shorts with a white, navy, or dark green uniform polo **with school logo**.

Girls in grades 4 through 8 wear the plaid skort or skirt* (*closeout item, while supplies last) with the white, navy, or dark green uniform polo **with school logo**. Khaki pants/uniform shorts may also be worn with the logo polo. *All girls in grades 4 through 8 must also have **white** logoed polo for Mass days and for other special events.*

BOYS:

All boys are required to wear khaki pants/uniform shorts and either a white, navy, or dark green polo **with the school logo**. Boys must also have a **white** short or long sleeve dress shirt **with school logo** and solid navy tie to wear for Mass and other special events. Shirts should be tucked in and worn with a brown or black belt. Ties should be appropriate in length.

ALL STUDENTS:

All uniform shirts must be logoed and purchased at Pro3 Services. All clothing should be in good condition (laundered, appropriately hemmed, wrinkle-free, and without holes).

In cold temperatures, students may wear one of the navy school logo sweater options available at the uniform store. These items may not be worn to Mass.

It is highly recommended that children's names be written or sewn into sweater tags.

Both boys and girls are to wear black, brown, or navy shoes. Tennis shoes are not permitted for Mass. Heels are never permitted. Tennis shoes may be worn when students are not attending Mass. All tennis shoes must contain black, white, navy, or gray color schemes. Neon and other bright colors are not permitted.

Girls must wear white or navy blue knee socks or navy blue or white tights with skirts, shorts, and jumpers. Leggings are not permitted.

Boys and girls must wear navy, black or white socks with their uniform pants. No-show sport socks are not permitted.

Uniform shorts are permitted to be worn August through October and April through the end of the school year. Belts must also be worn with shorts. Extensions of these dates are at the discretion of the principal.

Please pay special attention to the length of skirts and shorts. They should be no shorter than two inches above the knees and the waistbands should not be altered.

JEWELRY:

Small religious medals or crosses may be worn by all students. Girls may wear one pair of earrings that fit on a dime and rest on the earlobe only. Boys may not wear earrings to school should they have their ears pierced. All other body piercings are not permitted.

Bracelets are not permitted. Smart watches connected to the internet or ones that have cell service are not permitted.

MAKE-UP AND NAIL POLISH:

Make-up may not be worn. Only clear nail polish is acceptable. Students will be asked to remove their nail polish in the office if it is worn to school. False nails are not permitted even if they are of natural color.

HAIRSTYLE:

Hairstyles for both girls and boys must conform to good grooming standards and be its natural color. NO graphic or cut out designs are permitted in either boy or girl hairstyles. Hair for our young men should be clean, neatly combed, and of a moderate length so that it does not cover the ears, be in the eyes, or fall below the shirt collar. "Mohawk" cuts are not permitted. "Money Pieces" are not permitted. Any hairstyle that becomes a distraction to students and interferes with learning and appropriate behavior will not be permitted per the Principal's discretion. Girls may wear a small headband or bow of a color that corresponds with our school uniform. Hair 'scrunchies' or hair bands may not be worn on student wrists.

MASS UNIFORM:

Students in grades K-8 attend Mass twice a week. Students are expected to wear Mass uniforms for all school Masses on Fridays. See above.

GYM UNIFORM:

Students may wear SHCA gym sweatpants or gym shorts, T-shirts, and tennis shoes. Children will not be permitted to participate without gym clothes. Gym uniforms can be purchased at Pro3 services. Gym uniforms will not be worn to school on gym days.

Students in grades 4-8 will need to purchase a gym uniform from Pro3 or an approved SHCA Saints Spirit wear shirt.

Students in grades K-3 will not change for gym and will wear their regular school uniform for gym classes.

RECESS:

In winter students may wear appropriate attire such as mittens/gloves, scarves, hats etc. However, unnecessary accessories such as baseball caps may not be worn in other seasons.

DRESS DOWN DAYS:

On special occasions, the school will announce days when uniforms need not be worn. Spirit Wear sold by the SHCA may be worn for K-8 dress down or spirit days and all other Pre K-8 miscellaneous events that encourage school representation and support.

BACKPACKS:

Solid color or simple pattern only. No characters. Keychains, pop it fidget toys and other backpack decor is not permitted.

MASKS:

Masks may be worn at the discretion of parents and guardians. Masks must be solid colored, paper masks (blue, black, white, etc.). Cloth masks and gaiters may not be worn.

WATER BOTTLES:

Students may bring a water bottle to school to refill during the day. Only water is permitted during the school day. Parents may not fill the water bottle with juice, soda, tea, or anything else. Water bottles must securely close and not leak. No straw cups or straw containers are allowed. Students may not decorate their water bottle with stickers that do not support the mission/vision of the school.

PLEASE NOTE:

Please consider donating all student uniform items that are clean and in good condition so that we may start to build our uniform closet for interested families.