

St. James School Uniform Policy

St. James School Council, with the continued support of parents, has a mandatory uniform policy for all students. The intention of the uniform is to establish a unified appearance of students and build a sense of community and pride both within the school and when representing the school in public.

This policy is reviewed annually. It was subject to a referendum and vote in 2012 where a majority of parents continue to support the Uniform Policy.

The basic uniform for St. James students is dark navy blue pants or a skirt with a plain white, collared shirt or blouse. Additions and variations to this uniform are as follows.

The minimum requirements for meeting the uniform dress code is that each student must be wearing at least one item of clothing with the St. James Crest (CRESTED), or have an item at-hand in the case of outerwear, along with the other required clothing that comprises the uniform. CRESTED items are to be purchased through the school. These purchases can be made by completing and submitting the attached order form or attending the new and used uniform sales, held at St. James School throughout the school year.

Basic Uniform (pants, skirts, shorts, skorts, tunics, 'dress' shirts, blouses, 'golf' shirts, turtleneck shirts):

These items can be purchased elsewhere except as noted. All items must meet the following criteria:

- All pants, skirts, skorts, shorts and tunics must be dark navy blue.
- Shorts, skirt and skort length to be just above the knee.
- Pants and shorts to be 'dress'-style; nicely fitting, not cargo, capri or sweatpants. Cords are permitted.
- 'Golf' shirts must be CRESTED, collared and dark navy blue, available through the school.
- Turtleneck shirts must be CRESTED, plain white, available through the school.
- 'Dress' shirts and blouses must be collared, crisp, plain white. Long and short sleeves are acceptable.
- All items must be free of all logos and designs.

Outerwear:

Each St. James student is required to have ONE item of CRESTED outerwear. Parents and students may choose from the following items, all which are to be purchased through the school:

- Microfleece vest
- Knit Cardigan
- Zip-Front Hooded Sweatshirt
- Crewneck Sweatshirt
- Pullover Knit Vest

Outerwear items will not replace a coat or winter snow wear, but may be worn over the uniform shirt for extra warmth in school or outside.

Athletic Uniform:

The St. James athletic uniform is mandatory for all students attending gym classes and athletic events. These items are to be purchased through the school. The uniform consists of:

- St. James grey t-shirt and
- St. James navy shorts or

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- St. James navy sweatpants

Students may choose to wear either the shorts OR the sweatpants for gym class.

Summer Uniform:

The Athletic Uniform (St. James t-shirt and shorts) may be worn during the day for all students during the months of May, June, September and October.

In the warmer months, in keeping with the requirement of students wearing at least one piece of CRESTED clothing, it is recommended that students have either a CRESTED 'golf' shirt or two St. James t-shirts.

Mass Dress:

'Mass Dress' will be required for all students during school liturgies. This will include First Friday masses, Ash Wednesday mass, and any other school liturgies or special occasions where the attending students are representing St. James School.

Mass Dress is the basic uniform including at least one piece of CRESTED clothing. The Athletic Uniform will not be allowed for Mass Dress at any time.

Uniform Infractions:

Your support of the School Uniform Policy is appreciated by the St. James teachers, administration and council. Contravention of the Uniform Policy will result in a review of the policy with the student. Repeat offenses may lead to written notice of infraction and a review of the policy with the student and parents.

If you have any further questions regarding the St. James Uniform Policy or if you need assistance in meeting the requirements, please contact the school principal.

Uniform Type	Item	St. James Crest required (Y/N)	Acceptable as Summer Uniform (Y/N)	Acceptable as Mass Dress (Y/N)
Basic	Dress Pants	N	Y	Y
	Dress Shorts	N		
	Skirt	N		
	Skort	N		
	Tunic	N		
	Dress Shirt	N		
	Blouse	N		
	'Golf' Shirt	Y		
	'Turtleneck' Shirt	Y		
Outerwear	Microfleece Vest	Y	Y	Y
	Knit Cardigan			
	Zip-Front Hoodie			
	Crewneck Sweatshirt			
	Pullover Knit Vest			
Athletic	Grey T-shirt	Y	Y	N
	Navy Shorts		Y	
	Navy Sweatpants		N	