

Dress Code

General

The school dress code provides standards for students regarding uniform requirements, uniform wear and care, grooming and basic appearance. This code has been developed to foster an environment of unity and one which is conducive to learning and respectful behavior. Final decisions on uniform requirements rest with the Headmaster/administration.

Guidance on Appearance

All uniforms must be worn in the manner for which they were designed (e.g. Oxford collar buttons buttoned, tie properly set, shirts tucked in, and shoes tied, etc.). Boy's slacks are to be worn at the waist and fit properly. Trousers should reach the top of the shoe with a slight break (no high waters, puddle jumper or baggies authorized). The length of the slacks should not extend beyond the heel of the shoe in order to prevent undue wear and tear. Girl's skirts are to be worn at the waist and fit properly, not rolled or pulled down at the hip. The hem of the skirts must rest at the knee. The girl's Oxford shirt will be buttoned up to the second to last button from the neck to ensure modesty.

Students will maintain serviceable uniform items at all times. Uniform items that are stained, tattered, torn or otherwise in disrepair must be mended or replaced.

Students are expected to come to school fully dressed in the appropriate uniform of the day, and to wear their uniforms appropriately at all times. This includes following dismissal and prior to campus departure, unless they change into appropriate athletic attire for practice or games, or change into regular clothes after dismissal.

Uniform Requirements

Class A Uniform. This uniform will be worn on Mondays (or first day of the school week), Mass days, and when designated for special occasions.

Boys	Girls
Khaki slacks	Saint Michael plaid skirt (knee length when standing and worn properly at the waist)
White Oxford cloth shirt (short-sleeve optional); shirt must be tucked in at all times	White Oxford cloth shirt (short-sleeve optional); shirt must be tucked in at all times; scarves/wraps are prohibited
Plain white crew or v-neck undershirt devoid of any marking, wording or printed images	Undergarments must be plain white or flesh tone in color, not colored or embellished with designs, so as not to be seen through the blouse
Navy blazer	Navy blazer
Black or brown dress shoes (no athletic shoes); tied shoes or loafers acceptable	Black or brown dress shoes with heels no higher than 2 inches; shoes with stiletto heels, or open toe/heel design are not allowed (no athletic shoes)
Navy blue or khaki socks	Navy blue knee socks or navy blue tights (year-round requirement)
Striped tie	
Black or brown belt	

Optional Class A Uniform Items for boys and girls:

- Red Saint Michael sweater vest

Class B Uniform. This uniform will be worn whenever the Class A uniform is not prescribed.

Boys	Girls
Khaki slacks	Saint Michael plaid skirt
Navy Blue Polo shirt (short- or long-sleeve) with school logo	Navy Blue Polo shirt (short- or long-sleeve) with school logo; scarves/wraps are prohibited
Black or brown dress shoes (no athletic shoes)	Black or brown dress shoes with heels no higher than 2 inches; shoes with stiletto heels, or open toe/heel design are not allowed (no athletic shoes)
Navy blue or khaki socks	Navy blue knee socks or navy blue tights (year-round requirement)
Black or brown belt	

Optional Class B Uniform Items for boys and girls:

- Navy Saint Michael sweatshirt

Class C Uniform. This uniform is the PE Uniform and will be worn for all Physical Education and Health Classes or when designated for special occasions.

Boys	Girls
Red Saint Michael t-shirt	Red Saint Michael t-shirt
Navy blue mesh shorts (mid-thigh to top of knee in length)	Navy blue mesh shorts (mid-thigh to top of knee in length)
Gym shoes (must be suitable for rigorous indoor/outdoor activity)	Gym shoes (must be suitable for rigorous indoor/outdoor activity)
Plain white athletic socks (calf or ankle length)	Plain white athletic socks (calf or ankle length)

Optional Class C Uniform Items for boys and girls:

- Navy Saint Michael sweatshirt

Dress Down Attire

Students will be allowed to wear non-uniform attire on designated days. Students should dress modestly and in keeping with the school's mission and culture. In addition, all clothing must be in good repair.

Jackets/Sweaters/Pullovers

Non-school jackets, sweaters, sweatshirts or pullovers may be worn to school but must be kept in the student's locker or gym bag until after dismissal.

Uniform Source

Our uniform supplier is Lands' End. There is a Lands' End Uniform section at Sears in the Spotsylvania Mall or you can contact Lands' End via telephone at 1-800-469-2222 or online at <http://www.landsend.com>. Click on School Uniforms and enter school store code **9001- 4005- 4**.

Grooming

Hair should be well-groomed, styled conservatively, and appropriate for academic purposes. Dyed hair (excluding highlights and/or natural colors), spiked hair, rat tails, shaved heads, or bizarre haircuts or hairstyles as determined by the administration are not permitted.

- Boys: Hair will be trimmed above the collar and out of the eyes. Boys will be clean-shaven. Sideburns are authorized but cannot extend further than the bottom of the student's earlobes.
- Girls: Hair should be kept away from the eyes. Ribbons and other hair accessories may be worn and must be appropriate with the uniform.

The administration may request a haircut if the length or style is determined to be inappropriate.

Jewelry

Boys may not wear earrings. Girls may wear a single pair of earrings conforming to the following standards:

- Small post style earrings
- Dangling earrings must measure no more than two inches in length from the bottom of the earlobe.
- Ring-type earrings must be no greater than one inch in circumference.

Other jewelry may consist of a religious medal, a watch, or a finger ring. Necklace chains must be of a length that allows for the necklace to be worn under the shirt. Fad jewelry is not to be worn at school (e.g. friendship bracelets, Silly Bandz, etc.)

Make-up

Any make-up must be natural in appearance. Girls may wear a nail polish color of their choice excluding black, brown, dark purple and florescent. Additionally, nails will be neatly trimmed and may not be adorned with painted designs, embedded items, and/or glitter.

Body Piercings

All body piercings, with the exception of appropriate earrings for girls as previously stated, are prohibited.

Tattoos / Brandings

Students seeking enrollment who have tattoos and/or brandings must receive an admissions waiver from the Headmaster after the tattoo/branding has been examined and determined not to be of a scandalous nature. Students with pre-existing tattoos/brandings must take appropriate measures to conceal them when in uniform (e.g.: wearing long sleeve versus short sleeve Oxford shirts). Any student who acquires additional tattoos/brandings after admission to the school will be subject to disciplinary action.