

General Dress Code Requirements

- * Students must present a neat appearance; no sloppy dress is permitted.
- * Clothing must be clean, unwrinkled, devoid of holes, not faded, torn or frayed.
- * Only solid white, short-sleeved undershirts may be worn under uniform shirt.
- * Shirts must be buttoned, except for the top button, and neatly tucked in at all times.
- * Clothing must fit properly; baggy, oversized or excessively tight clothing is not permitted.
- * Appropriate undergarments must be worn.

Grooming Requirements

- * Hair must be natural color, clean and neatly styled
- * No “popular” styles that draw attention to learner. Examples are fauxhawks, multi-layered cut, fades, etc.) Administration has final determination regarding questionable grooming.
- * Hair must not cover the student’s eyes
- * Boys’ hair must be above the collar in back and not cover ears on side
- * No artificial fingernails
- * Nail polish is prohibited for all students
- * Facial hair is prohibited

Specific Dress Code Requirements

Girls Preschool to 4th Grade

- * Grant plaid jumper, shift and skort
- * Blue polo shirt with Ave Maria logo
- * White short sleeved blouse with Peter Pan collar, navy piping and Ave Maria logo
- * Navy sweater with Ave Maria logo: cardigan, v-neck and sleeveless vest
- * Navy sweatshirt with Ave Maria logo
- * Navy jacket with Ave Maria logo; must be worn over sweatshirt or sweater
- * Navy/White ankle socks; must cover ankle and be visible above shoe
- * White and navy knee socks
- * White, gray, navy and black footed or footless tights. Socks must be worn with footless tights and no skin may be exposed
- * White, brown, gray, navy, blue and black close-toed shoes

Girls 5th to 8th Grade

- * Grant plaid skirt and skort
- * Tan or Blue Pants (8th grade only). White shirts must be worn with Tan and blue shirts must be worn with blue. Either may be worn with skirt or skort
- * Blue polo shirt with Ave Maria logo
- * White polo shirt with Ave Maria Logo (6th – 8th)
- * White short sleeved broadcloth Oxford shirt with Ave Maria logo
- * Navy sweatshirt with Ave Maria logo
- * Navy jacket with Ave Maria logo; must be worn over sweatshirt or sweater
- * Navy/White ankle socks
- * White and navy knee socks

- * White, navy and black footed tights footless tights, fashion tights and leggings are prohibited.
- * White, brown, gray, navy, blue and black close-toed shoes

Boys Preschool to 8th Grade

- * Navy pants: twill and corduroy; no cargo pants
- * No zipper on sides of pants and no extra pockets
- * Navy twill shorts may be worn from April 1st to October 31st only
- * Blue polo shirt with Ave Maria logo
- * White short sleeved broadcloth Oxford shirt with Ave Maria logo
- * Navy sweater with Ave Maria logo: cardigan, v-neck and sleeveless vest
- * Navy sweatshirt with Ave Maria logo
- * Navy jacket with Ave Maria logo; must be worn over sweatshirt or sweater
- * Navy/White socks
- * White, brown, gray, navy, blue and black close-toed shoes

Boys 6th to 8th Grade

In a navy uniform choice, the following are permitted:

- * blue polo shirt with Ave Maria logo

In the tan uniform choice, the following are permitted

- * white polo shirt with Ave Maria logo
- * Tan twill shorts from April 1st to October 31st only; must be purchased from Dennis Uniform

White polo shirt must be worn with tan pants/shorts. Blue polo shirt must be worn with navy bottom pieces. No mixing is permitted. White Oxford shirt may be worn with navy and tan bottom pieces.

Mass Dress - All Students

The following must be worn every Friday and on additional days specified as Mass Dress days:

- * Girls must wear a plaid piece, white blouse/Oxford shirt and sweater.
- * Boys must wear navy pants, white Oxford shirt and sweater.
- * Both boys and girls must wear approved Dennis Uniform tie with sweater

Cougar Thursdays

Students are encouraged to show their school spirit on Thursdays by wearing Cougar Spirit Wear. Only Cougar Wear ordered through the school is allowed. Items include Cougar shirts, sweatshirts and sweatpants. Any item of clothing that is not Cougar Wear must conform to uniform regulations. School t-shirts given for special awards and participation in school events may be worn for after-school activities.

Additional Uniform Requirements

- * Skirts, skorts and dresses cannot be shorter than 4 inches above the top of the knee.
- * Shorts & skirts cannot be rolled down at the waist.
- * Privacy shorts must be worn underneath jumpers, shifts and skirts.
- * Pants/shorts cannot be rolled up at the hem.

- * Pants must fit properly at the waist and must not be too long or baggy.
- * Cargo pants are prohibited
- * Shorts must fit properly and may not exceed below the knee.
- * No mixing of shoe colors.
- * No neon colors
- * Socks must cover ankle and be visible above shoe
- * Boots, sandals, flip flops, shoes with wheels, Ugg boots, and high heeled shoes are prohibited. High top, laced, heavy work boot type shoes are prohibited.
- * Footless tights, fashion tights and leggings are prohibited.
- * Shoelaces must be white, black, navy or brown; all other colors are prohibited.
- * Jacket may not be worn instead of sweater or sweatshirt. Jacket must be worn over sweater or sweatshirt.

Jewelry/Hair Accessories

- * One cross, religious charm or medal, one ring, one bracelet, and one watch are permitted. Only necklaces with a religious medal/theme or cross are permitted. Large necklaces and bracelets are not permitted. Younger students are strongly discouraged from wearing jewelry due to potential for loss.
- * Girls are permitted one stud earring in each ear. No hoop or dangling earrings are permitted. No other visible body piercing or body decoration is permitted.
- * Girls may wear non-distracting hairclips, hairbows and headbands in the following colors: white, navy, gray, black, blue, tan and Grant plaid. Bandanas and hairpieces are prohibited.

Free Dress

Occasionally students are permitted to attend school in clothing of their choice. This is known as a 'free dress' day. The following types of clothing are prohibited: halter tops, tank tops, strapless tops, spaghetti strap or strapless dresses, mini-dresses, mini-skirts, sheer/see-through clothing, shirts with inappropriate words or drawings, distracting or immodest clothing, or any item that administration determines is inappropriate or distracts from learning.

Game Days

Students who are participating in sports may wear their team jerseys on game days that fall on Cougar Thursday. Cheerleaders may change into their cheer outfits after lunch on game days and rally days.