



General Dress Code for All Students

Rationale: Students are encouraged to take pride in their appearance. Dress code in a Catholic school setting serves 4 primary purposes and should be enforced by all teachers.

- Reinforce Catholic Values
- Minimize social pressures on students
- Minimize financial pressures on our families; and
- Maximize the time available for teachers and instruct students

Our Catholic teachings try to help students understand that the real value of a person has nothing to do with the expense or brand of clothes they wear. A person's worth becomes less defined by what surrounds him/her and more by the qualities he/she possesses as an individual.

CODE: The dress code will be in effect for all regular school days, examination days and official school functions.

GENERAL PRINCIPLE: Any attire deemed inappropriate, extraordinary and distracting by the administration is in violation of Dress Code.

REGULAR SCHOOL DRESS DAYS **BOTH CAMPUSES**

PANTS/SLACKS, SHORTS, SKIRT/SKORTS/JUMPERS

- Navy, Black, Khaki, Mayfair pattern.
- 5 pocket maximum
- NO cargo, carpenter, jeggings, knit, denim
- Must be worn with waistband above hips
- Belt must be worn with bottoms with loops (Grades 4-12)
- Shorts 1st/4th quarters only
- Shorts no shorter than 3 inches above the knee
- Tights/Leggings (only to be worn under skirts/skorts/jumpers). Solid colors of navy, black, white, yellow, or gray.

SHIRTS/BLOUSES/SWEATERS/SWEATSHIRTS/FLEECE

- Solid collared polo: white, navy, black, royal blue, light blue, gold/yellow and gray.
- Three or Four placket maximum-no snaps.

- No logos other than Schlarman Academy.
- Shirts must be tucked in at all times.
- Sweaters in solid black, gray, navy, white. Button-up approved
- V-Neck sweaters purchased through Topper Shop.
- Crewnecks with “Schlarman Academy” across chest or school/sport name/logo in the corner purchased from the Topper Shop. No other writing or adornment allowed.
- Quarter or full size zip purchased from the Topper Shop. No hoodies except jeans day.
- Polos must be worn under all Topper Wear.

FOOTWEAR

- Closed back shoes. Athletic shoes/sneakers approved
- Sandals must have a backstraps (only 1st/4th quarters)
- Socks/tights must be worn during 2nd/3rd quarters
- No heels more than 1 inch in height
- Not approved: crocs, birkenstocks, slides, slippers, combat boots

JEANS DAYS

- No tears, frayed, or holes
- Any form of Schlarman Academy/Topper Wear or dress code shirt.
- No sleeveless or tank tops
- No writing or skinny jeans
- Dress code shoe attire

TOPPER PRIDE FRIDAYS

- Any Schlarman Academy/Topper Wear
- Uniform bottoms only. NO jeans
- Dress code footwear

MASS DAY

South Campus: Regular Day Dress code attire.

North Campus: Boys and Girls: Solid button down shirt. V-neck sweater with dress shirt underneath purchased through the Topper Shop. Uniform bottoms. Boys must wear a tie. No sweatshirts/fleece, quarter zips to be worn during Mass.

GYM CLOTHING (Grades 7-12)

PE uniforms can only be purchased through the Topper Shop. Socks: black or white. Shoes: all tennis shoes (non-marking) must tie and be secure on the feet. No platform or slip on shoes.

HAIR

- Style must not impair vision
- Groomed at all times
- No facial hair
- No extreme haircuts (mohawks, spikes etc)

- No extreme hair color or colored hair extensions such as blue, orange, green etc. Natural hair colors only.
- Male hair length must be above shirt collar, sideburns no longer than ear lobe, above the eyebrows and clean shaven.

PROHIBITED

- Wallet chains, heavy necklaces, head coverings, sunglasses, untied shoes
- Clothing or jewelry that suggests behavior or ideas contrary to Catholic Church teachings
- Gang or satanic symbols
- Tattoos may not be visible
- Artificial nails at South Campus
- Nose piercings, large hoops or excessive dangling earrings, industrial bar piercings
- Piercings on boys (must be removed or covered with a band-aid during school hours)

CONSEQUENCES FOR DRESS CODE VIOLATIONS

Reporting of any dress code violations is the responsibility of each classroom teacher. Dress code violations will be taken care of at the beginning of each class period by the teacher. All faculty members are expected to enforce the dress code. Students who are out of dress code will be reported to the administration.

- 1st offense: warning
- 2nd offense: phone call to parents to bring appropriate attire. Students will NOT be sent home.
- 3rd offense: detention
- 4th or subsequent offense:parent meeting