



St. Francis School 2024/2025 Dress Code Requirements

Please be sure to read and follow the dress code requirements for your children. Habitual violation could lead to disciplinary referrals, and parents will be contacted to bring the correct uniform to school. When available, a student in violation of the dress code will be given the correct clothing from the uniform closet. Scroll down for detailed info on dress codes for each grade and gender.

Please read the dress code *BEFORE* buying school clothes. All items are clearly explained so that there is no confusion.

- When buying dress shoes, please be sure that they are *dress shoes* and not sneakers. A good rule of thumb... if you have to question if they count as dress shoes, they probably don't. Dress shoes do not have to be the hard, uncomfortable, traditional looking dress shoe. Loafers and slides (Hey Dudes, etc.) are perfectly acceptable and more comfortable for the kids.
- Dress pants must be just that – *dress pants*. The pants with elastic bottom cuffs, stretchy yoga-pant material, and capri pants are not permitted.

A few notes about gym uniforms:

- Students in grades 3-8 will change into gym uniforms for their phys ed classes. Students in K-2 do not need to purchase or wear gym uniforms.
- Gym uniforms consist of the gold SFS t-shirt and red SFS shorts. They may be purchased at Jim's Sports Center. Gym uniforms are also included in our online clothing sale each summer.
- Sneakers must be worn for gym classes. Instead of bringing sneakers to change into for gym class, students will be permitted to wear sneakers all day on their designated gym class day. However, if we are attending Mass on the student's gym day, they should wear dress shoes and change into sneakers for gym class that day.
- Since students in grades Kindergarten through second are not changing for gym class, girls in these grades will be permitted to wear uniform pants (or shorts in September and May) instead of their regular jumpers on their designated gym class day.

Tommy Hilfiger Uniform Shop

- Our school has partnered with Tommy Hilfiger for an online uniform shop. Go to <https://www.globalschoolwear.com> and use school code STFR13. Simply enter your child's grade, gender, and uniform type and the site will only show you items that fit our dress code. There is a lot of variety in fabrics, including the dry-fit polos and shorts.

Please see the following pages for:

- ***Uniform buying guide***
- ***Summary of uniforms w/pictures***
- ***Detailed dress code for boys and girls in all grades***

Uniform Buying Guide

Uniforms will make school shopping very easy! Once you find what you want, just buy it in bulk ☺ Don't forget to check RaiseRight too, and you can actually earn tuition money while school shopping! Please be sure to refer to the school's dress code carefully before shopping. We don't limit our families to certain retailers, but please be sure that what you buy fits the guidelines.

Here are some of the most popular places where our school families normally buy uniforms:

- School Uniforms by Tommy Hilfiger – (earn 5% RaiseRight rebate, plus the school earns 5% commission) Go to <https://www.globalschoolwear.com> and use school code STFR13. Simply enter your child's grade, gender, and uniform type and the site will only show you items that fit our dress code. There is a lot of variety in fabrics, including the dry-fit polos and shorts. We have sample uniforms at the school for you to see the quality and even have your kids try on for size.
- Land's End – (earn 15% RaiseRight rebate) For girls, our pattern is called "White Plaid". Land's End jumpers are more expensive than others, but they really seem to hold up much better and are a nicer quality. Check the uniform closet to see the difference, and watch for back to school sales!
- Walmart.com – (earn 2.5% RaiseRight rebate) Walmart will carry some uniform items in their stores, but Walmart.com has a huge selection of items. It's a good place to buy long-sleeved polos, which can be hard to find.
- Old Navy - (earn 14% RaiseRight rebate) Old Navy also has a large online uniform shop. They often have polos on sale for \$5. They also offer slim sizes.
- Children's Place – (earn 12% RaiseRight rebate) Although they don't carry our plaid jumpers, they do have a good selection of all other school uniform items.
- SFS Uniform Closet & other SFS Families – Don't be afraid to check out the closet for hand-me-downs. Many of the items are like new! Take anything that your child will be able to wear in the next year. When they outgrow things that are still in great shape, pass them on to another family or send them back in for the closet.
- Please note: When buying online, the site French Toast does NOT carry our plaid pattern. They have a plaid that looks very similar online, but it is noticeably different in person.

Uniform Shopping 101: **What do you need to buy for girls?**

1. Jumper – Our print is called White Plaid and is available at Land’s End and School Uniforms by Tommy Hilfiger. Girls in K-3 must wear jumpers; girls in grades 4 and 5 wear plaid skirts or plaid skorts.



2. Polo shirts – White or light blue. They can be short or long sleeved. Sometimes the girls polos have some ruffles along the sleeve or near the buttons. That’s fine as long as they are subtle.



3. Blouse – A white blouse is needed for days when the students attend Mass. These can be short or long-sleeved. Subtle ruffles, or even a skinny band of navy blue along the sleeve is ok.



4. Dark navy dress pants – These cannot be leggings or anything tight. They must be regular length, extending down to the shoes.



5. Dress shoes – Choose comfortable shoes, but not sneakers or anything resembling sneakers. Shoes should be a solid neutral color. Sparkles, glitter, lights, and bright colors are not permitted.



6. Socks – Navy or white knee-high socks are worn with jumpers. With pants, girls can wear any neutral color socks that cover their ankle.

7. Cardigan (Optional) – Students may wear button-down cardigans in navy or white over top of their regular uniforms. Cardigans must be solid color, with no stripes or designs. One narrow accent stripe along the sleeve or waist line is ok. Cardigans must be a knit sweater material, not fleece or a sweatshirt material.



8. Skort or uniform dress shorts (Optional) - During September and May, girls may wear solid navy blue skorts or dress shorts instead of their jumpers.



9. Sneakers (Optional) – During September and May, girls may wear sneakers. When worn with their uniforms, the sneaker color follows the same as dress shoes – mostly solid, neutral colors. Sneakers may be worn to school all year long on the students’ designated gym class day.



Girls in gr. 6-8 wear burgundy or white tops and khaki skirts or skorts instead of the plaid and blue. All other guidelines above are the same.

Uniform Shopping 101: **What do you need to buy for boys?**

1. Polo shirts – White or light blue. These can be short or long sleeved.



2. Dark navy dress pants – These cannot be cargo pants or skinny pants that are tight. They must have a regular hem at the bottom – no elastic. For boys in third grade and older, the pants must have belt loops and a belt must be worn. Pants must be regular length, extending down to the shoes.

3. Dress Shirt – Boys must wear a button-down oxford style dress shirt on days that we attend Mass. These can be short or long sleeved.



4. Tie – Boys must wear a tie on Mass days. These can be any style or color. They must wear them to school that morning and keep them on all day until Mass is over.

5. Belt – Boys in third grade and older must wear a belt every day.

6. Dress shoes – Choose comfortable shoes, but not sneakers or anything resembling sneakers. Shoes should be a solid neutral color. Bright colors are not permitted.



7. Socks – Any neutral color sock is acceptable. Be sure that it goes over the ankle.



8. Cardigan (Optional) – Students may wear button-down cardigans in navy or white over top of their regular uniforms. Cardigans must be solid color, with no stripes or designs. A narrow accent stripe along the sleeve or waist line is ok. Cardigans must be a knit sweater material, not fleece or a sweatshirt material. V-neck and crew neck sweaters are also acceptable, following the same color and fabric guidelines.

9. Uniform dress shorts (Optional) - During September and May, boys may wear solid navy blue dress shorts instead of pants.



10. Sneakers (Optional) – During September and May, boys may wear sneakers. When worn as their uniform, the sneaker color follows the same as dress shoes – mostly solid, neutral colors. Sneakers may be worn to school all year long on the students' designated gym class day.



Uniform guidelines are identical for gr. 6-8 except colors are burgundy/white tops and khaki bottoms.

2024/2025 Dress Code for Girls: Kindergarten through Grade 5

Mass Uniform: Must be worn every day that your class attends Mass

- Plaid jumper (grades K-3) Plaid skirt (grades 4-5) Must reach mid-thigh or longer
- White, button down blouse (must have a collar)
- Solid white or navy blue knee socks or tights
- Dress shoes (solid, neutral color with no obvious patterns. No glittery or sparkly shoes.)
- *From Thanksgiving until March 31st, navy blue dress pants may be substituted for the jumper/skirt due to the cold weather. White blouses should always be worn on Mass days, even if wearing pants.

Summer Uniform: May be worn during the months of August/September and May/June only

- Navy blue dress shorts or skirt (must reach mid-thigh or longer)
- White or light blue polo shirt (short or long sleeve) Must be solid color; no large logos or print
- Solid, neutral color socks that cover the ankle (must be visible above the shoes)
- Solid, neutral color sneakers (black, white, brown, tan, gray or dark blue) may be worn. Sneakers should not be bright colors or have patterns. A small patch of color is acceptable (ex: colored shoe sole or a small brand logo) No high-tops, light-ups, glitter, cartoon characters, etc.
- Summer uniform may not be worn on Mass days; wear proper Mass uniform as described above

Everyday Uniform: May be worn anytime except for Mass days

- Plaid jumper (grades K-3) or Plaid skirt (grades 4-5) Must reach mid-thigh or longer
- White or light blue polo shirt (short or long sleeve) Must be solid color; no large logos or print
- Solid white or navy blue knee socks (white or navy tights are acceptable in colder weather)
- Dress shoes (solid, neutral color with no obvious patterns. No glittery or sparkly shoes.)

Winter Uniform: May be worn after returning from Thanksgiving break until March 31st

- Navy blue dress pants (no denim, elastic bottom, cargo style, yoga pants, leggings or stretch pants) Pants should not be tight.
- White or light blue polo shirt
- Solid color dress socks
- Dress shoes (solid, neutral color with no obvious patterns)

Gym Uniform:

- Grades 3-5 will change into their yellow SFS t-shirt and red gym shorts
- Students are permitted to wear sneakers to school on their gym class day, unless it is Mass day
- Since students in grades K-2 do not change for gym class, girls in these grades may wear navy dress pants to school on gym class days instead of their jumpers.

Other Notes:

- Belts (solid color) must be worn for third graders and older whenever pants or shorts have belt loops
- Cardigan sweaters may be worn throughout the school day, provided they are solid white or solid navy blue. Hoodies, fleeces, coats, and sweatshirts are not permitted to be worn during school hours.
- Earrings are permitted but should be small. No facial piercings are permitted. No obvious make-up is to be worn.
- Hair color should be a natural hair color. No stripes, chunking, etc. of colors. Hairstyles should not be outlandish. Administration reserves judgment on whether hair is acceptable or not.
- Headbands must be simple; no unicorn horns, cat ears, oversized bows or flowers, etc. No wording on headbands. A small flower or bow is acceptable.

2024/2025 Dress Code for Girls: Grades 6 through 8

Mass Uniform: Must be worn every day that your class attends Mass

- Khaki skirt* (must reach mid-thigh or longer)
- White, button down blouse (must have a collar)
- Solid white or burgundy knee socks (white or burgundy tights are acceptable in colder weather)
- Dress shoes (solid, neutral color with no obvious patterns. No glittery or sparkly shoes.)
- *From Thanksgiving until March 31st, khaki dress pants may be substituted for the skirt due to the cold weather. White blouses should always be worn on Mass days, even if wearing pants.

Summer Uniform: May be worn during the months of August/September and May/June only

- Khaki dress shorts or skort (must reach mid-thigh or longer)
- White or burgundy polo shirt (short or long sleeve) Must be solid color; no large logos or print
- Solid, neutral color socks that cover the ankle (must be visible above the shoes)
- Solid, neutral color sneakers (black, white, brown, tan, gray or dark blue) may be worn. Sneakers should not be bright colors or have patterns. A small patch of color is acceptable. (ex: colored shoe sole or a small brand logo) No high-tops or cartoon characters
- Summer uniform may not be worn on Mass days; wear proper Mass uniform as described above

Everyday Uniform: May be worn anytime except for days your class attends Mass

- Khaki skirt or khaki skort (must reach mid-thigh or longer)
- White or burgundy polo shirt (short or long sleeve) Must be solid color; no large logos or print
- Solid white or burgundy knee socks or tights
- Dress shoes (solid, neutral color with no obvious patterns. No glittery or sparkly shoes.)

Winter Uniform: May be worn after returning from Thanksgiving break until March 31st

- Khaki dress pants (no denim, elastic bottom, cargo style, yoga pants, leggings or stretch pants) Pants should not be tight.
- White or burgundy polo shirt
- Solid, neutral color dress socks
- Dress shoes (solid, neutral color with no obvious patterns. No glittery or sparkly shoes.)

Gym Uniform:

- Students will change into their yellow SFS t-shirt and red gym shorts
- Students are permitted to wear sneakers to school on their designated gym class day, unless it is Mass day.

Other Notes:

- Belts (solid color) must be worn whenever pants or shorts have belt loops
- Cardigan sweaters may be worn throughout the school day, provided they are solid white or solid burgundy. Hoodies, fleeces, coats, and sweatshirts are not permitted to be worn during school hours.
- Earrings are permitted but should be small. No facial piercings are permitted.
- Headbands must be simple; no unicorn horns, cat ears, oversized bows or flowers, etc. No wording on headbands. A small flower or bow is acceptable.
- Hair color should be a natural hair color. No stripes, chunking, etc. of colors. No outlandish hairstyles. Administration reserves judgment on whether hair is acceptable or not.
- Undergarments should not be visible through the uniforms.

2024/2025 Dress Code for Boys: Kindergarten through Grade 5

Mass Uniform: Must be worn every day that your class attends Mass

- Navy blue dress pants (no denim, cargo style, elastic bottoms, or extra pockets) Pants should not be tight.
- White, button down dress shirt
- Tie (solid or pattern)
- Solid, neutral color dress socks
- Dress shoes (solid, neutral color with no obvious patterns)

Summer Uniform: May be worn during the months of August/September and May/June only

- Navy blue dress shorts (no denim, cargo style, or extra pockets) Shorts should not be tight.
- White or light blue polo shirt (short or long sleeve) Must be solid color; no large logos or print
- Solid, neutral color socks that cover the ankle (must be visible above the shoes)
- Solid, neutral color sneakers (black, white, brown, tan, gray or dark blue) may be worn. Sneakers should not be bright colors or have patterns. A small patch of color is acceptable (ex: colored shoe sole or a small brand logo) No high-tops or cartoon characters
- Summer uniform may not be worn on Mass days; wear proper Mass uniform as described above

Everyday Uniform: May be worn anytime except for days your class attends Mass

- Navy blue dress pants (no denim, cargo style, elastic bottoms, or extra pockets) Pants should not be tight.
- White or light blue polo shirt (short or long sleeve) Must be solid color; no large logos or print
- Solid, neutral color dress socks
- Dress shoes (solid, neutral color with no obvious patterns)

Gym Uniform:

- Students in grades 3-5 will change into their yellow SFS t-shirt and red gym shorts
- Students are permitted to wear sneakers to school on their designated gym class day (unless it happens to be a Mass day)
- Students in K-2 will not require gym uniforms.

Other Notes:

- Belts (solid color) must be worn for third graders and older whenever pants or shorts have belt loops
- Cardigan, V-neck or crew neck sweaters may be worn throughout the school day, provided they are solid white or solid navy blue. Hoodies, fleeces, coats, and sweatshirts are not permitted to be worn during school hours.
- No piercings are permitted.
- Hair color should be a natural hair color. No stripes, chunking, etc. of colors.
- Hair should be cut above the collar, ears and brow line. Mohawks or any other outlandish hair styles are not permitted. Administration reserves judgment on whether hair is acceptable or not.
- T-shirts or other shirts worn underneath the polo or dress shirt should not be visible. (ex: long sleeves under a short sleeved polo, or a t-shirt design that shows through the uniform shirt)

2024/2025 Dress Code for Boys: Grades 6 through 8

Mass Uniform: Must be worn every day that your class attends Mass

- Khaki dress pants (no denim, cargo style, elastic bottoms, or extra pockets) Pants should not be tight.
- White, button down dress shirt
- Tie (solid or pattern)
- Solid, neutral color dress socks
- Dress shoes (solid, neutral color with no obvious patterns)

Summer Uniform: May be worn during the months of August/September and May/June only

- Khaki dress shorts (no denim, cargo style, or extra pockets) Shorts should not be tight.
- White or burgundy polo shirt (short or long sleeve) Must be solid color; no large logos or print
- Solid, neutral color socks that cover the ankle (must be visible above the shoes)
- Solid, neutral color sneakers (black, white, brown, tan, gray or dark blue) may be worn. Sneakers should not be bright colors or have patterns. A small patch of color is acceptable (ex: colored shoe sole or a small brand logo) No high-tops or cartoon characters
- Summer uniform may not be worn on Mass days; wear proper Mass uniform as described above

Everyday Uniform: May be worn anytime except for days your class attends Mass

- Khaki dress pants (no denim, cargo style, elastic bottoms, or extra pockets) Pants should not be tight.
- White or burgundy polo shirt
- Solid, neutral color dress socks
- Dress shoes (solid, neutral color with no obvious patterns)

Gym Uniform:

- Students will change into their yellow SFS t-shirt and red gym shorts
- Students are permitted to wear sneakers to school on their designated gym class day (unless it happens to be a Mass day)

Other Notes:

- Belts (solid color) must be worn for third graders and older whenever pants or shorts have belt loops
- Cardigan, V-neck or crew neck sweaters may be worn throughout the school day, provided they are solid white or solid burgundy. Hoodies, fleeces, and sweatshirts are not permitted to be worn during school hours.
- No piercings are permitted.
- Hair color should be a natural hair color. No stripes, chunking, etc. of colors.
- Hair should be cut above the collar, ears and brow line. Mohawks, shaved heads, or any outlandish hair styles are not permitted. Administration reserves judgment on whether hair is acceptable or not.
- T-shirts or other shirts worn underneath the polo or dress shirt should not be visible. (ex: long sleeves under a short sleeved polo, or a t-shirt design that shows through the uniform shirt)
- Boys must be clean shaven.