

## Dress Code Policy

The dress code provides a standard for our students that foster an environment conducive to learning and respectful behavior. Final decisions regarding the school uniform rest with the administration.

**The General Rule:** A student who wears a visible item that is not specifically permitted by the dress code will be asked to correct his or her uniform. If the uniform violation is uncorrectable, the student may call home for appropriate uniform attire. If a student is unable to attain appropriate uniform attire, he or she will serve an after-school detention and receive a demerit.

### Basic Uniform

#### General Guidelines

1. Socks and undergarments are to be worn at all times.
2. Hair must be kept neat, trimmed and well groomed. For the boys the hair must be above the eyebrows and no longer than the top of the collar in the back and not below the earlobes on the sides. Sideburns should extend no lower than the earlobes. No extreme hair styles are permitted.
3. Boys must be clean-shaven; no obvious facial hair is permitted. Students needing to shave will be asked to do so at school or serve a detention accompanied by a demerit.
4. Accessory items such as hats, scarves, caps, bandannas, handkerchiefs, and sunglasses are not to be worn. Anatomical piercing, except the ears, is prohibited.
5. Jackets or coats that are considered outdoor apparel are not to be worn.
6. Jewelry should be plain and of modest taste. Earrings should be no larger than a quarter in size. Body piercing, tattoos, counter culture symbols or appearances will not be accepted. No tattoos permanent, washable, or student created may be worn.
7. Neatness is of prime importance. Lack of it will result in disciplinary action. The Administration reserves the right to rule any faddish styles as inappropriate.

#### Shirts

1. Students in grades 4-12 will be wearing a white, blue, grey insignia polo shirt with a fold-down collar. Two styles of polo shirts are permitted: Ribbed and non-ribbed.
2. Girls in grades K-3 may wear a polo or blouse under the jumper.
3. Boys in grades K-3 may wear a plain polo shirt in white, grey or royal blue.
4. Only solid white T-shirts may be worn under the polo.
5. Dress shirts and non-ribbed polo shirts must be tucked in at all times.
6. Turtlenecks/mock turtlenecks may be worn under the polo shirt. These may be in white, blue or gray.

#### Sweaters/Vests/Sweatshirts (optional)

1. All sweaters and vests must be worn over a uniform polo.
2. Sweaters/vests must be of solid navy, black, white or gray.
3. Only the approved Saint John school sweatshirt, fleece, Champion jacket or team issued quarter zip may be worn as part of the uniform.
4. All of the above items must be worn over the polo shirt.