## 2024-2025 St. Hilary School Dress Code

## Effective August 2024

Personal appearance is as vital to a child's educational outlook as any other policy we have listed. Grooming and dress reflect attitudes which have a direct relationship to learning. Attention should be given to every detail of a child's appearance. All clothing (uniform and dress down/up) should be neat, clean, modest and appropriately sized. All clothing (uniform and dress down/up) should be free from holes, tears, and excessive fading. This applies to all students in grades K-8.

All of these guidelines are to be adhered to and will be enforced. Students who, after warning, continue to violate the dress code will receive a detention. Parents will be called to bring suitable clothes when necessary. The administration reserves the right to address any dress code situation not specifically listed here.

Our supplier for new uniform items is Made2Wear (www.made2wearohio.com). All girls in grades 1-8 will be required to wear the correct St. Hilary plaid jumpers, skorts, or skirts from Made2Wear. Girls in grades 1-5 may wear jumpers and skorts; girls in grades 6-8 may wear skirts.

Kindergarteners are permitted to wear play clothes and any closed toe and closed back style shoes.
Kindergarteners are not permitted to wear heelies, clogs, sandals, crocs, mules, slippers, or moccasins, and all heels must be less than $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$. During quarters 1 and 4 , kindergarteners may wear shorts. Kindergarteners are to adhere to the general dress code listed below.

## GENERAL GUIDELINES - GRADES K - 8

No hats, caps, bandanas, or other headwear is permitted inside the school building unless worn on a designated spirit "hat" day. Navy, white, black, red, or St. Hilary plaid headbands (2" or less in width), bows or ribbons are permitted. The listed colors are the only colors permitted. Headbands may not have logos or ears.


Hairstyles should be clean, neat, and conventional in style and remain the student's natural color. Highlighting must be subtle and a natural shade of the student's hair color. Hair beading that is not excessive or distracting is permitted for girls. Fad or trend haircuts, shaved lines, tails, mullets, or bi-level cuts are not permitted. Young men's hair should be above the eyebrow, off the collar and at or above the opening of the ear; hair should be tapered with no excessive fullness. The difference between the length of the sides and back versus the top must be less than 2". Facial hair is not permitted for young men. Hair styles and length are subject to the administration's approval.


Body piercing is not permitted except for a single ear piercing for girls. One pair of stud or hoop (no larger than a dime) earrings for girls is permitted. No dangling earrings or hoop earrings larger than a dime are permitted.

Boys and girls are permitted to wear one bracelet.
One simple religious necklace is permitted for both girls and boys. Scapulars are permitted to be worn under a student's shirt.

Tattoos are not acceptable, either permanent or temporary.
Nail polish that is clear - no color only - is permitted. All other nail treatments, including gel, shellac, French manicures, nail art, or artificial nails, are not permitted.

Analog or digital watches are permitted (without a calculator function). Smart watches are not permitted (including Apple watches, Fitbits, and similar brands).

Only school approved items listed within this dress code are permitted to be worn inside the classrooms. All other outerwear may only be worn during recess or for outside activities.

## SHOES - GRADES 1-8

Shoes must be primarily brown, tan, black, navy, grey, or true red. Shoes must be closed toe and closed heel dress style shoes. Metallic colors are not permitted. All heels must be less than $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$.

Styles not permitted include, but are not limited to, plastic shoes, heelies, boots higher than ankle height, hiking style boots, white soles, clogs, sandals, crocs, mules, slippers, moccasins, and other fashion shoes.

## Boots:

Men's Chukka boots and ladies' low ankle boots are permitted.


## Sperry Shoes:

Sperry AUTHENTIC ORIGINAL boat style shoes in these categories are permitted: Angelfish, Koifish and Songfish. The Sperry brand is the only shoe that can have contrasting soles. All shoes must be primarily brown, tan, black, navy, grey, or true red and may have a small pattern on the side of the shoe.


## Athletic Shoes:

Athletic or tennis shoes in leather, cloth, mesh, or canvas are only permitted if they are all black with black soles or all white with white soles and with no contrasting logos. Converse shoes and high-tops are not permitted.



SOCKS - GRADES 1-8
Socks or tights must be worn with all shoes; bare feet are not permitted. Socks must be solid navy, white, grey, or black. No multicolored socks are permitted. A small logo is permitted but Nike Elite type socks are not permitted. St. Hilary logo socks provided by Parents' Association are permitted to be worn on gym days.

## PANTS - GRADES 1 - 8

Navy dress pants are to be worn in grades 1-5. Navy or khaki dress pants may be worn in grades 6-8. "Dress" means the absence of ornamentation (rivets). Obvious stitching (top stitching or double stitching), and outside patch pockets. All shirts must be tucked inside pants or shorts.

Low-rise, mid-rise, flared leg, or cargo pants are not permitted.


Photos are examples and not intended to represent every potential pants style.


Navy dress shorts may be worn in grades 1-5, and navy or khaki dress shorts may be worn in grades 6-8, during the first and fourth quarters only.

Solid navy, brown or black leather or leather-like belts or navy elastic belts should be worn with pants or shorts with belt loops (for both girls and boys). Fad or cloth belts are not permitted.

## SHIRTS AND SWEATERS - GRADES 1 - 8

Solid collared white, light blue, red, or navy dress shirts or polo shirts (long or short sleeved) are permitted. The St. Hilary crest is permitted, but not required, on dress or polo shirts.

Sweaters that are cardigan style and waist length are permitted. Sweaters longer than waist length are not permitted. Solid navy, true red, grey, or true white crew neck, cardigan, or V-neck sweaters or vests are permitted. Sweaters may not have any ornamentation such as lace, ruffles, beading, or logos. Rolled collar, buttoned neck, oversized, or hooded sweaters are not permitted.

Sweatshirts with the St. Hilary logo and 1/4-zip shirts with the St. Hilary logo are permitted.
White turtlenecks may be worn during the second and third quarters only.

Solid white undershirts or T-shirts may be worn under uniform shirts.

On Mass days, a button-down dress shirt with or without a complementary tie is permitted for boys.

## ADDITIONAL GUIDELINES - GRADES 6-8 BOYS

A $1 / 4$ zip St. Hilary pullover (available from Made2Wear) is permitted.

Dress pants may be khaki in color.

## ADDITIONAL GUIDELINES - GRADES 6-8 GIRLS

Uniform skirts in St. Hilary plaid must be of a modest length not to exceed the height of a soda pop can when the bottom of the can is placed at the middle of the knee. As girls grow throughout the year, be aware that skirts may need to be adjusted. Girls are expected to sit in a ladylike manner while wearing skirts.

A $1 / 4$ zip St. Hilary pullover (available from Made2Wear) is permitted.
Dress pants may be khaki in color in a non-stretch fabric.

## GYM UNIFORM - GRADES 1 - 8

Students in grades 1-8 are required to wear the school gym uniform. This consists of a grey St. Hilary T-shirt (available through Made2Wear), solid black knit/nylon shorts that are mid-thigh in length and regular athletic shoes with non-marking soles. Students have the option to purchase through Made2Wear solid black shorts with a St. Hilary logo, which are also acceptable gym uniform shorts. Students will wear gym uniforms to school on days they have gym class, and will remain in gym uniforms for the day, except that students participating in Mass will dress in school uniforms and change for gym. In lieu of gym shirts, students in grades 6-8 may wear their class shirts with the rest of their gym uniforms on gym days. School sweatshirts must be worn over gym shirts and black sweatpants must be worn over gym shorts in quarters 2 and 3 . Students have the option to purchase through Made2Wear solid black sweatpants with a St. Hilary logo, which are also acceptable to be worn over gym uniform shorts in quarters 2 and 3 . The enforcement of the gym uniform dress code will be handled by the physical education teacher.

## OUT-OF-UNIFORM AND SPECIAL DRESS DAYS - GRADES K - 8

If students choose to dress down or dress up, the following standards will apply. Otherwise, regular dress code standards will be enforced. Parents will be called to bring suitable clothing if out of uniform standards are not met.

## Dress Code for Dress Down Days:

## Permitted:

- Modest and appropriate relaxed attire
- Tennis shoes, jeans, shorts and t-shirts for boys
- Tennis shoes, jeans, shorts, t-shirts, dresses, skirts, athletic shorts and rompers for girls
- "Ripped" jeans are permitted as long as rips are small and at or below the knee
- Dresses and skirts must be of a modest length not to exceed the height of a soda pop can when the bottom of the can is placed at the middle of the knee. Shorts or rompers must come down to fingertip length on the thigh.
- Tank tops only when worn with sweaters, shrugs, or cover ups
- Open-toed sandals or crocs with a back or strap around the heel
- Leggings that are fully opaque-must be worn with a long shirt that provides full front and back coverage


## Not Permitted:

- Crop tops and low-rise jeans or shorts
- Uncovered shoulders, including "cold shoulder" styles
- Sandals with no strap or back, clogs, or heels exceeding $11 / 2$ inches
- Hats (unless worn on a designated hat day)


## Dress Code for Dress Up Days:

## Permitted:

- Modest and appropriate attire
- Dress pants or shorts (quarters 1 and 4 only for shorts, modest cargo pockets permitted for pants and shorts) and collared shirts for boys
- Dresses, skirts, dress pants, dress shorts, or dress rompers (quarters 1 and 4 only for shorts, modest cargo pockets permitted for pants and shorts), collared shirts, or blouses for girls
- Dresses and skirts must be of a modest length not to exceed the height of a soda pop can when the bottom of the can is placed at the middle of the knee. Rompers and shorts must come down to fingertip length on the thigh.
- Sleeveless dresses or tops with a sweater, shrug, or cover up
- Open-toed sandals with a back or strap around the heel


## Not Permitted:

- Tennis shoes (except for Kindergarten students) or sandals with no back (school uniform-approved allwhite or all black tennis shoes are permitted)
- Uncovered shoulders
- Jeans
- T-shirts


## Spirit Days:

Students may be granted the privilege of an administration-approved day on which to wear St. Hilary spirit wear. This day will be determined at the onset of each school year. On the approved day, students may wear only a St. Hilary spirit shirt with their regular school uniform pants or skirt.

## ENFORCEMENT - GRADES K - 8

A violation of any part of the dress code will result in the issuance of a Minor Infraction Notification (MIN). Three dress code MINs will result in a detention.

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## Grades 6-8

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All of the guidelines contained in the dress code are to be adhered to and will be enforced. Students who receive three Minor Infraction Notices (MINs) for violations of the dress code will receive a detention. Parents will be called to bring suitable clothes when necessary. The administration reserves the right to address any dress code situation not specifically listed in the school dress code.

I have read and agree to abide by the provisions contained in the complete St. Hilary School Dress Code.

Student Name Printed (Grades 6-8)

Student Signature (Grades 6-8)

Date

Parent Name Printed

Parent Signature

Date

