# DRESS CODE

The dress code provides a standard for our students, which fosters an environment conducive to learning and respectful behavior.

Final decisions regarding the school uniform rest with the principal/administration.

# Uniform Requirements & Other Pertinent Information

ST. MARK Catholic School provides many options for students to dress comfortably in all seasons; therefore, it is not appropriate for students to wear out-of-uniform jackets and sweatshirts in the classrooms.

#### **DRESS REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDENTS**

ST. MARK Catholic School Uniform 2018-2019 School Year

Grade
K-8
Boys

If you only want to purchase ONE required uniform:

- Navy blue trousers with solid black, navy, or brown belt
- Short-sleeved light blue, white, or gray knit polo with *ST. MARK* logo
- Navy or black crew length socks
- Sturdy, solid black athletic shoes. They must have black laces, and not be wide-laced "skate" shoes or high tops. (These can work for both the regular uniform AND for gym.)

Required gym uniform (this uniform is worn all day on gym/P.E. days):

- Gray t-shirt with ST. MARK logo
- Navy blue mesh shorts with ST. MARK logo
- White crew length socks
- Navy sweat pants with *ST. MARK* logo are to be worn after Thanksgiving and until the Feast of St. Joseph.
- Either the solid black athletic shoes described above or solid black, solid white, or any combination of black, white, and gray athletic shoes. Both shoes and laces must be a matched pair and shoes with white eyelets have white laces, shoes with black eyelets have black laces; soles should be either black or white. Please help us maintain uniformity by not purchasing shoes with any color, wide-laced skate shoes, sequins, glitter, paint, lights, wheels ("Wheelies"), or animal prints.

Optional uniform additions:

- Navy blue shorts (may not be worn on cold days), with solid black, brown, or navy belt
- Long-sleeved light blue, white, or gray knit polo with *ST. MARK* logo
- Polar fleece with ST. MARK logo
- Button front V-neck drifter cardigan with *ST. MARK* logo

Optional gym uniform additions:

- Gray sweat shirt with ST. MARK
- Long-sleeved gray t-shirt with *ST*. *MARK* logo

# Grades K-4 Girls

If you only want to purchase ONE required uniform:

• ST. MARK plaid jumper with closed top or

- ST. MARK plaid side-pleat skort
- Navy blue pants with solid black, brown, or navy belt

Optional uniform additions:

- Navy tights
- Navy leggings may be worn under the jumper or skort.
- Long-sleeved white, light blue or navy polo with *ST. MARK* logo

- Short-sleeved white, light blue, or navy knit polo with *ST. MARK* Logo
- White, navy, or black crew length socks
- Matte finish black Mary Jane shoes with sturdy rubber sole for the playground OR sturdy, solid black athletic shoes.
   They must have black laces, and not be wide-laced "skate" shoes or high tops. (The solid black athletic shoes can work for both the regular uniform AND for gym.)

Required gym uniform (this uniform is worn all day on gym/P.E. days):

- Gray t-shirt with ST. MARK logo
- Navy blue mesh shorts with ST. MARK logo
- White crew length socks
- Navy sweat pants with *ST. MARK* logo are to be worn after Thanksgiving and until the Feast of St. Joseph.
- Either the solid black athletic shoes described above or solid black, solid white, or any combination of black, white, and gray athletic shoes. Both shoes and laces must be a matched pair and shoes with white eyelets have white laces, shoes with black eyelets have black laces; soles should be either black or white. Please help us maintain uniformity by not purchasing shoes with any color, wide-laced skate shoes, sequins, glitter, paint, lights, wheels ("Wheelies"), or animal prints.

- Polar fleece with ST. MARK logo
- Button front V-neck drifter cardigan with *ST. MARK* logo

Optional gym uniform additions:

- Gray sweat shirt with *ST*. *MARK* logo
- Long-sleeved gray t-shirt with *ST. MARK* logo

# Grades 5-8 Girls

If you only want to purchase ONE required uniform:

- Below-the-knee A-line ST. MARK plaid skirt with ST. MARK logo with navy blue bike shorts (must be worn underneath and hidden by skirt)
- Navy blue pants with solid black, brown, or navy belt
- Short-sleeved light blue or navy polo with ST. MARK logo
- White, navy or black crew socks
- Sturdy, solid black athletic shoes. They must have black laces, and not be wide-laced "skate" shoes or high tops. (These can work for both the regular uniform AND for gym.)

Required gym uniform (this uniform is worn all day on gym/P.E. days):

- Gray t-shirt with ST. MARK logo
- Navy blue mesh shorts with ST. MARK logo
- White crew length socks
- Navy sweat pants with *ST. MARK* logo to be worn after Thanksgiving and until the Feast of St. Joseph.
- Either the solid black athletic shoes described above or solid black, solid white, or any combination of black, white, and gray athletic shoes. Both shoes and laces must be a matched pair and shoes with white eyelets will have white laces, shoes with black eyelets will have black laces; soles should be either black or white. Please help us maintain uniformity by not purchasing shoes with any color, wide-laced skate shoes, sequins, glitter, paint, lights, wheels ("Wheelies"), or animal prints.

Optional uniform additions:

- Navy blue Bermuda shorts (may not wear on cold days), with solid black, brown, or navy belt
- Long-sleeved light blue or navy knit polo with *ST. MARK* logo
- Navy tights
- Navy leggings may be worn under the skirt
- Polar fleece with *ST. MARK* logo
- Button front V-neck drifter cardigan with *ST. MARK* logo

Optional gym uniform additions:

- Gray sweat shirt with *ST*. *MARK* logo
- Long-sleeved gray t-shirt with ST. MARK logo

#### **PURCHASING OF UNIFORMS**

All items are to be "uniform," purchased <u>only</u> from Flynn and O'Hara and/or Land's End. Parental cooperation is expected in this matter.

Another source of uniforms is the used uniform sales hosted several time a year by the PTPO.

#### **GUIDELINES IN WEARING THE UNIFORM**

Simplicity is the key word for the uniform. Anything that detracts from a respectful, caring, academic setting is inappropriate. Specifically:

- Hairstyles: hair should be well groomed, styled conservatively, in a natural hair color, and style that is not disruptive to the classroom environment.
  - o Boys' hair should be trimmed above the collar and out of the eyes.
  - o Girls' hair should be away from the eyes. Ribbons and other hair accessories must be appropriate for school and coordinate in color with the uniform.
- Jewelry: Again, simplicity is the key word. All jewelry should be kept to a minimum and be
  appropriate for the school uniform. Wearing of a small crucifix or cross, a miraculous medal,
  or saint medal is encouraged.
  - o Girls may wear a single small post or small ring style earring.
  - o Boys may not wear earrings or any necklace other than a scapular, simple cross, or religious medal on a fine metal chain.
  - o Make up and colored nail polish are not permitted, with the exception of 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls' privilege of a clear or *light* shade of pink nail polish. Acrylic/fake nails are not allowed. The nurse and teachers may have nail polish remover and students wearing non-compliant nail polish may be asked to remove it. Students wearing make up will be asked to remove it.
- Hats are not to be worn in the building.
- Polo shirts are to be tucked in and sleeves may not be rolled up. P.E. shirts may be un-tucked. Skirt, skort, and jumper hems must be at the knee or longer.
- Socks must be visible above the shoe at all times.

*ST. MARK* Catholic School has extra uniform pieces. In the rare event that a child attends school in the wrong uniform or severely soils his/her uniform during the day, a replacement will be issued. Parents are asked to launder the replacement item(s) and return them to the school nurse.

#### OUT-OF-UNIFORM DRESS-UP & DRESS-DOWN DAY REQUIREMENTS

On out-of-uniform days, students may choose to dress out of uniform, to wear their regular uniform, or if it is the day of their P.E. class, to wear their P.E. uniform.

#### All out-of-uniform items should be chosen in regards to modesty.

# **DRESS-UP DAY (INCLUDING GRADUATION):**

• Girls may choose to wear nice slacks or a modest-length skirt or dress.

- Girls' tops or dresses must not have spaghetti straps, be "off the shoulder" style, or show bare midriff.
- On warm days, girls may wear sandals but NOT flip flops.
- Heels may not exceed 2 inches.
- No blue or black jeans may be worn by either boys or girls.

#### Boys:

- Boys are required to wear a collared shirt (no printing) with nice slacks, a belt, and dress shoes with socks.
- Sneakers/gym shoes are not permitted on dress up days.
- Backless shoes are not permitted on dress up days.
- On warm days, boys may wear sandals but NOT flip flops.
- No blue or black jeans may be worn by either boys or girls.

### DRESS DOWN DAY REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL STUDENTS:

- Shirts/tops must have sleeves.
- Any writing on shirts must be in good taste and not promote alcohol, or cigarettes, or firearms.
- Undergarments may not be worn as outer garments.
- "Fanny messages" are not appropriate.
- NO flip flops, backless shoes, or "Wheelies."
- No pajama pants are allowed.
- Students wearing immodest or inappropriate clothing will be asked to change into something more appropriate and modest.

# ADDITIONAL DRESS DOWN DAY REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADES 5-8 STUDENTS:

• No yoga pants, leggings, biking shorts or pants, or similar items are allowed unless covered by a knee-length skirt, dress, or shorts.

#### **BACKPACKS**

Only regular-sized backpacks are allowed. Rolling backpacks are not allowed as they will not fit in the lockers or in-class cubbies. Backpacks and bags cannot be carried around the building, but must remain in the locker/cubby during the school day.

## **DRESS REQUIREMENTS FOR VISITORS**

Because adults are setting the example for students, volunteers or parents/guardians dropping off and picking up students in the building should be dressed modestly. Revealing exercise attire is not appropriate and at the very least should be covered by a large T-shirt.