# **DRESS CODE**

St. John the Baptist Catholic School enforces a dress code for students to ensure that all students are appropriately attired for school. Students are expected to be dressed in a manner that indicates serious engagement in the educational process. The St. John the Baptist Catholic School dress code is written to defer focus from social situations that do not support the mission of the school. Meeting the responsibilities of the uniform policy/dress code is the responsibility of both parents and students.

Any type of dress which violates the spirit of St. John the Baptist Catholic School is unacceptable, and the administration reserves the right to decide if the student's style of dress and/or appearance is in violation of the dress code policy or disrupts the education process. Furthermore, should changes and/or clarifications to the dress code be needed, parents/guardians and students will be informed, and addendums will be added to the school website. All students are obligated to follow this uniform policy from the first day of school through the last day of school, unless otherwise stipulated by the administration.

Violations of dress code will result in an Office Referral.

1st offence – warning

2<sup>nd</sup> offence – warning

3<sup>rd</sup> offence – detention

4th offence – detention

5th offence – ISS

6th offence – Conference with parents

#### SHOES

# Safety is the main concern.

All students Pre-K through 8th grade must wear shoes that have a closed heel and toe. All shoes must have a solid, sturdy sole and must not be flimsy. Shoes should have laces or straps to keep them secure across the top. Students must keep laces **tied** for safety reasons.

The following are examples of shoes not permitted:

- Crocs
- Sandals
- Clogs
- Fashion boots/UGG® style boots
- Slipper style (slip on)
- Wedges/Heels
- Light-up
- Roller

\*Snow boots may be worn to school when exchanged for regular shoes in the classroom.

### **PANTS**

Only navy blue or black **(Docker's style)** pants are acceptable in twill or cotton. Pants must be ankle length and worn at the waist. Pants should have **no more than two top front and two top back pockets**. Pants should be hemmed and not frayed or cut off.

The following are examples of pants not permitted:

• Skinny style

- Flair-legged/bell bottom
- Stirrups
- Leggings
- Deck
- Cargo or carpenter
- Monograms or decorative emblems
- Hip-huggers or low-ride
- Bib overalls

\*No jeans, cotton, knit, or nylon material pants are allowed.

## **SHORTS**

Opening day through Oct. 31st and from April 1st until the end of the year.

**Shorts should follow all the guidelines for pants except for length.** Shorts must be worn at the waist and be no shorter than 3 inches above the knee from a kneeling position. Short are optional and monitoring weather conditions are the responsibility of the parents/guardian. *Please do not expect shorts purchased and worn at the beginning of the school year to fit at the end of the school year.* 

# **BELTS**

Grades 5-8 are encouraged to wear a belt. Any students who wears a belt should wear a solid (no holes) brown or black simple dress belt. Dress belts have a leather (not cloth) appearance.

# SHIRTS

Shirts must be plain solid white or solid light blue polo style in cotton, knit, or dryfit. Shirts should be in the polo style with buttons. Shirts can be long or short sleeved. *Shirts must be tucked in at all times.* Solid white tank tops, t-shirts, or undershirts may be worn under the uniform shirt. **These shirts may not have sleeves that extend beyond the uniform shirt.** 

The following are not permitted:

- Three-quarter length sleeves
- Capped sleeves
- Denim
- Sheer or silk material
- Oversized or tight-fitting shirts.

#### **SWEATERS**

Solid **navy-blue** cardigan, V-neck, vests, or crewneck styles are acceptable. No zippered or hooded sweaters or jackets are allowed. Uniform polo shirt must be worn underneath all sweaters. Collar from the uniform shirt must be visible.

### **SWEATSHIRT**

Only HASA sponsored (crewneck or quarter zip style, see pictured) spirit wear is acceptable. Uniform polo shirt must be worn under all sweatshirts. Collar from the uniform shirt must be visible.

### Socks/Tights

Socks must be worn.

Girls may wear tights or leggings under their uniform skirt/jumper in the winter months, but they may only be solid white, navy, or black (no patterns within the material).

PLAID JUMPERS AND SKIRTS: GIRLS ONLY (ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PATTERN)

Jumpers and skirts may be worn by girls in grades K-8.

Jumpers – only Schoolbelles, Land's End, or French Toast brands are acceptable. Other stores may be used if the pattern matches the St. John pattern.

Skirts – only Schoolbelles, Land's End, French Toast and other stores such as JC Penney (with the St. John pattern) are acceptable.

Length must be no shorter than 3 inches above the knee when kneeling.

Please do not expect a skirt or jumper hemmed at 3 inches in August to satisfy dress code in May.

# HAIR

Only natural hair color is allowed. Bleached or dyed hair or "tips" is not permitted.

**No extreme or fad hairstyles are allowed**. Unacceptable styles include (but are not limited to) mohawks, extreme spikes, shaved heads, or lines shaved into the hair **or the eyebrow**. Boys' hair length in the back must be above the collar. Sideburns must be above the earlobes. Bangs for boys and girls should not extend below the eyebrows. If they do, they must be pulled back out of the eyes with a fastener or tie.

#### **JEWELRY**

Only girls may wear stud type or small hoop earrings.

No Smart Watches

No writing on skin or clothing.

No tattoos, real or fake.

## MAKE-UP

No visible make-up is allowed to be worn by students.

# **N**AIL POLISH

Nail polish is allowed on girls' **natural nails**, but they may be asked to remove the polish if it is distracting.

# PE Dress Code

**The Physical Education (PE) Uniform** is required for all 2<sup>nd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students – Solid yellow, Bishop Luers, or St. John's T-shirt and black athletic gym shorts (shorts must be an appropriate length) or sweatpants. Tennis shoes and socks are required. **Students not in uniform for PE will have their grade lowered.** For health reasons, borrowing or lending of PE uniforms is not allowed, and regular washing should be maintained.

### SPIRIT DAYS

Every Friday is a Spirit Day.

- Students may wear any St. John's or Bishop Luers shirt with their uniform pants (including hoodies).
- Clothing must be neat and clean and free from rips, holes, and tears.
- No leggings or yoga pants.
- Shoes must follow school guidelines.

# **HASA Dress Down Days**

The first Friday (unless there is Mass) is a HASA sponsored dress down day (\$1.00).

- Students may wear jeans, sweats, and any St. John's or Bishop Luers shirt (including hoodies).
- Only uniform shorts may be worn.
- Clothing must be neat and clean and free from rips, holes, and tears.
- No leggings or yoga pants.

• Shoes must follow school guidelines.