

Uniform Dress Code

General Principles: The wearing of a school uniform emphasizes to students that we are all equal in the eyes of God. It has a direct and positive bearing on student behavior. This also allows the children to focus on their schoolwork rather than on incidental distractions. Therefore all students are required to comply with the St. Bernard Regional Catholic School uniform policy. **Uniforms must be purchased through Schoolbelles.** Students should attend school in a clean and properly fitted uniform.

Girls' Shirts: the A+ Feminine Pinpoint Oxford, the Ribbed Polo or the Jersey Polo. The Oxford is available in short or long sleeve and comes in white. Both styles of the Polo shirt come in navy blue, white or powder blue with the school name monogrammed on it (free of charge). The Ribbed Polo is designed to go over the waistband, whereas the Jersey Polo is to be tucked in. Both shirts come in short and long sleeve. **Refer to the St. Bernard page of the Schoolbelles website under code S1110 for more details.**

Girls' Slacks: navy blue or khaki dress pants that must be purchased from the uniform company, Schoolbelles. Elastic waist pants are for Grades K-2. All other selected pants are K-8. **Refer to the St. Bernard page of the Schoolbelles website under code S1110 for specific styles/colors that are in accordance with our dress code.**

Girls' Skort and Skirt: styles offered are the two Kick Pleated Skirt and the Side Pleat Skort. The skirt is offered in plaid only. The skort is available in Navy, Khaki and Plaid. Both are for K-8. They must be knee length. **Refer to the St. Bernard page of the Schoolbelles website under code S1110 for a more detailed description.**

Girls Shorts: offered in khaki or navy. Elastic waist pants are for Grades K-2. Stretch Narrow Leg Shorts and Value Bermuda Shorts are for all grades. Walking shorts season is from May 1st to October 1st. **Refer to the St. Bernard page of the Schoolbelles website under code S1110 for a more detailed description.**

Girls' Jumpers: Grades K-4 in navy/blue polyester paid. Girls are not permitted to wear dresses or cropped leggings under the Jumper. Jumpers must be knee length. **Refer to the St. Bernard page of the Schoolbelles website under code S1110 for the specific Jumper that is acceptable under the St. Bernard dress code.**

Girls Modesty Shorts: navy blue, worn under Jumpers or Skirts and are optional. They are available through Schoolbelles but can be purchased at department stores that carry school uniforms.

Girls Socks/Tights: only khaki or white socks are permitted. The socks must cover the ankle and may be knee socks. Black, navy or white opaque footed tights are also acceptable. However, panty hose of any color are not permitted. These may be purchased through Schoolbelles or other department stores that carry school uniforms.

Boys' Shirts: the Ribbed Polo, Jersey Polo or Oxford. Both styles of the Polo shirt come in navy blue, white or powder blue with the school name monogrammed. The Ribbed Polo is designed to go over the waistband, whereas the Jersey Polo is to be tucked in. Both shirts come in short and long sleeve. The Oxford is available only in white. **Refer to the St. Bernard page of the Schoolbelles website under code S1110 for a more detailed look.**

Boys' Pants: navy blue or khaki dress pants that must be purchased from Schoolbelles. Elastic waist pants are available for students in Grades K-2 while plain and pleated front pants are available for all grades. **See the St. Bernard page of the Schoolbelles website under code S1110 for specific styles/colors that are in accordance with our dress code.**

Boys' Shorts: navy or khaki and must be purchased through Schoolbells. The shorts come in the following styles: Pleated Walking Shorts and Flat Front Long Shorts. They must be knee length and are for Grades K-8. **Refer to the St. Bernard page of the Schoolbelles website under code S1110 for more specific details.** Shorts season is from May 1st to October 1st.

Boys Socks: plain navy or khaki and they must cover the ankle. These may be purchased through Schoolbelles or at department stores that carry school uniforms.

Sweaters: come in navy and allow the collar of the shirt/blouse to be seen. Styles are the Round Neck Cardigan (Girls Only) and the V- Neck Cardigan (Unisex). **Refer to the St. Bernard page of the Schoolbelles website under code S1110 for the specific styles that are acceptable under the St. Bernard dress code.**

Belts: required for both boys and girls when tucking a shirt in pants or shorts. Must be purchased through Schoolbelles. **Refer to the St. Bernard page of the Schoolbelles website under code S1110 for the specific styles.**

Blazer and Tie: optional. The Blazer is unisex and comes with the St. Bernard logo embroidered on shoulder (free of charge). Tie styles differ between boys and girls. **Refer to the St. Bernard page of the Schoolbelles website under code S1110 for the specific styles that are acceptable under the St. Bernard dress code.**

School Shoes: must be dress shoes that are not sandals, clogs, canvas or leather tennis or athletic shoes, or any shoe/boot that extends above the ankle. The heel of the shoes must not be higher than 1". Shoes must have a dress sole. Permissible colors are black, brown, or dark blue. Available through Schoolbelles but can be purchased at other retailers.

Gym Uniforms – To ensure that all student gym uniforms remain consistent, parents must purchase gym uniforms through the school. No other apparel will be permissible. All uniform gym bottoms are light gray in color. Gym T-shirts and sweatshirts can be either gray or navy and must have the St. Bernard logo screen printed on the shirt front. Sweatpants must have elastic around the ankles. Wearing of gym shorts and sweatpants follows the same rule for long pants and walking shorts applicable to the school uniform. **Sweatshirts are only permitted to be worn on Gym days (Mondays and Fridays).**

Accessories, Hair, Etc. - Parents are encouraged to use good judgment in regard to jewelry and other accessories that may be a distraction to the learning process. The administration has the right to judge the propriety of any piece of jewelry and how or when it may be worn. Students are not permitted to have tattoos, fake finger nails or wear makeup at school. Boys are to have a traditional haircut, keeping hair short so that it is not in their eyes. No student is permitted to have their hair dyed or bleached or wear feather hair extensions.

Dress-Down Days- Students are permitted to wear jeans, T-shirts, sweatpants, sweatshirts, shorts (in season and fingertip length), socks and tennis shoes. Students are not permitted to wear clothing that displays advertisements, logos, sayings, or pictures that are not in keeping with Catholic morality. Students are not permitted to wear sandals, flip-flops, crocs, or other inappropriate footwear. Dress-down clothes should be clean and appropriate for school with no tears.

Dress-Up Days- Boys may wear dress/school pants, dress shirt, golf shirt, or turtleneck. Girls may wear dress/jumper, skirt with appropriate dress blouse or top, dress slacks/school pants. No T-shirts, sweatshirts, sweatpants, jeans, or tennis/athletic shoes are to be worn on a dress-up day.

If a student is “out of uniform” a Uniform Notice will come home with the infraction and will need to be signed by the parent and returned to school. Continued violation of the dress code will be considered parental non-compliance with school policies and appropriate action will be taken.

The school offers a Uniform Exchange Day in June.

Physical Education Uniform- To ensure that all student gym uniforms remain consistent, parents must purchase gym uniforms through the school. No other apparel will be permissible. All uniform gym bottoms are light gray in color. Gym T-shirts and sweatshirts can be either gray or navy and must have the St. Bernard logo screen printed on the shirt front. Sweatpants must have elastic around the ankles. Wearing of gym shorts and sweatpants follows the same rule for long pants and walking shorts applicable to the school uniform. **Sweatshirts are only permitted to be worn on Gym days (Mondays and Fridays).**

Tennis Shoes are only to be worn on Mondays and Fridays with the school gym uniform for physical education class. **“Healies” and light-up tennis shoes are not to be worn.**

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