

## SCHOOL POLICIES

### **UNIFORM POLICY:**

Saint Christopher School has developed standards of dress that promote human dignity, cleanliness, and good health. **Parents please follow this policy and check your children daily.** Adherence to every detail of the dress code is mandatory. Students are expected to arrive to school in dress code.

While the students of Saint Christopher Catholic School are in uniform, they are representatives of our school. Because our students take pride in themselves and their school, we expect our students to represent themselves and their school in a positive manner; therefore, while students are wearing the uniform in a public forum, they are to remain in dress code and are not to participate in any behavior that would disgrace our school. If a student is wearing any piece of the uniform, he/she is to be in full uniform, or he/she is subject to the same disciplinary consequences as during the school day.

Wearing a uniform is part of the Catholic tradition and is an integral part of focusing the students' attention on education. Coming to school in uniform is the expectation. Addressing dress code and personal appearance violations needlessly distracts from classroom instruction for your student and others in the classroom. Refusal to follow the dress code and personal appearance policy is an act of defiance, and therefore, students who refuse to follow them will incur the normal consequences for behavior, up to and including suspension.

Boys and girls are required to wear uniforms. They are available from;

- Flynn & O'Hara Uniform Company (toll free telephone number is 1-800-441-4122 ext 8036) or visit their store at Georgetown Square, 5225 Sheridan Drive, Williamsville, NY 14221
- Pants, shorts or shirts that meet the standards of the uniform code may be purchased at other stores.

**\*\*At no point may anything be added to the uniform that is distracting to the learning environment. All students must be in full uniform upon entering the building and stay in full uniform until after dismissal. There will be a uniform check each morning in homeroom. Students not meeting uniform code will be asked to call home or make appropriate changes.**

### **PRE-K:**

Students should wear comfortable school appropriate clothing.

Footwear: Rubber soles only. No open-toed shoes or strapless slip-on shoes or flip flops.

Sneakers must be worn to school on P.E. day.

## BOYS- GRADES K-8

**Hair:** Hair must be above and not touch collar; must be above ears and eyes: must be able to see eyes. Nothing added to the hair that could be deemed as distracting to learning.

**Pants:** Must be navy blue. No jean, No jean style, No corduroys and No cargo pants.

**Belt:** Grades 5-8- must have a belt – solid black, blue or brown with basic buckle. (no “Bling”)

**Shirts:** Gr. K-6- plain, button down collar, white shirt.

Turtlenecks and polo shirts in white or dark blue.

Gr. 7 & 8 plain, button down collar, white shirt with the St. Chris or dark blue tie.

**St. Chris emblem is the only acceptable symbol on any shirt.**

Undershirts must be plain white, with no writing.

All shirts must be completely buttoned and tucked in.

**Sweaters:** White or navy blue cardigan or St. Christopher style through Flynn & O’Hara

**Sweatshirts & Fleece:** St. Chris styles ONLY. (Available for purchase in the bookstore.) No St. Chris sports sweatshirts are allowed to be worn with the school uniform.

**Socks:** Solid colors only in white, navy or black. Crew or ankle socks only (**MUST COVER ANKLE**)-  
**NO “NO-SHOW SOCKS” ARE ALLOWED.**

**Earrings:** NOT ALLOWED. No facial piercings.

**Ties:** Navy blue only available in the school bookstore.

Optional for Grs. 5 & 6; **MANDATORY for Grs. 7 & 8.**

**7th & 8th grade boys only may wear a navy blue bow tie.**

**Footwear:** Must be clean and presentable at all times. Rubber soles only.

Laced shoes **MUST** be tied. No strapless slip-on shoes, no crocs.

**As of Jan. 1, 2018-** All students in grades 3-8 must wear dress shoes; top-siders, loafer, Oxford style or boat shoes.

Sneakers will **NOT** be allowed except for physical education class.

**Shorts:** Navy blue walking shorts. No cargo style. **Shorts allowed from the first day of school until October 31st and from May 1<sup>st</sup> until the last day of school.**

**Miscellaneous:** No tattoos, including fake tattoos.

## GIRLS- GRADES K-8

**Jumper/Skirt:** Gr. K-4 uniform **jumper** through Flynn & O'Hara.  
Gr. 5 and 6 uniform jumper-skirt is optional.  
Gr. 7-8 uniform **skirt** through Flynn & O'Hara.  
All skirts must reach the knee.

**Blouses:** Gr. K-6 plain white, uniform or button down collar.  
Polo or turtleneck in white or navy blue.  
Gr. 7 & 8 uniform style, button down or polo shirt in **white only**.  
**St. Chris emblem is the only acceptable symbol on any shirt.**  
Undershirts/undergarments- if worn must be plain white, with no writing.  
All shirts must be completely buttoned and tucked in.

**Pants:** Dark navy blue slacks only.  
No leggings, No stirrups, No jeans, No jean style, No corduroys and No cargo.  
These can be used in place of skirts from **November- April 30th**.

**Sweater:** White or navy blue cardigan or St. Christopher style through Flynn & O'Hara.

**Sweatshirts & Fleece:** St. Chris styles **ONLY**. No St. Chris sports sweatshirts are allowed to be worn with uniform. (Available for purchase in the bookstore.)

**Socks:** Solid color-white or navy blue **KNEE SOCKS** or tights to be worn with jumpers or skirts. White ankle socks that cover the ankle bone may only be worn from the beginning of school until October 31<sup>st</sup> and from *May 1<sup>st</sup>* until the last day of school. **NO "NO-SHOW" OR CREW SOCKS ARE ALLOWED.**

**Jewelry/Earrings:** No necklaces may be worn that cannot lay under the shirt. No large and chunky necklaces or bracelets. *Stud style and small presentable earrings*. No more than 2 earrings per ear.

**Belt:** Girls who choose to wear a belt, must have one of a solid color – black, blue, brown, or white with basic buckle – No Bling.

**Footwear: EVERYDAY-** Shoes must be clean and presentable at all times. Rubber soles only.  
Shoes must have backs; no clogs, no crocs, no flip-flops.  
No heels higher than 1".  
No open toed shoes. Laced shoes **MUST** be tied.  
If boots (including Uggs) are worn to school, change of shoes must be brought.  
**As of Jan. 1, 2018-** All students in grades 3-8 must wear dress shoes- Sneakers will NOT be allowed except for physical education class.

**Make-up:** NONE TO BE WORN IN SCHOOL EVER. No colored lip gloss.

**Nail Polish:** No nail polish or artificial nails may be worn in school.

**Shorts/Skortts:** Navy blue walking shorts or skortts from the first day of school until October 31<sup>st</sup> and from May 1<sup>st</sup> until the last day of school.

**Hair:** No bandanas. Headbands without extra adornments are allowed. **No feathers. No colorful, unnatural hair-dyes.**  
**Nothing added to the hair that could be deemed as distracting to learning.**

## **DRESS DOWN DAY / FIELD TRIPS**

**Students are representing our school both on and off campus and therefore must comply with the school uniform policy.**

**All students will be expected to wear the proper school uniform on a field trip unless otherwise indicated by administration or faculty.**

**Note:** Students must still come prepared with normal P.E. uniform.  
Dress down clothes will not be acceptable in physical education classes.

**\*\*Students not following the dress down/field trip dress code will be sent to the office to call home for appropriate clothes.**