

◆ DRESS CODE ◆

It is the policy of Mary Queen of Saints Academy to have a dress code that reflects the attitude of respect. The way we dress reflects our respect for ourselves, for our school community, and for the educational goals of our school. Cooperation in wearing a uniform encourages responsibility and self-discipline on the part of the student. It is the Parent's responsibility to ensure the uniform policy is followed so that class time is not taken for teachers to remind and enforce. All students are expected to be neat, clean, and appropriately dressed for their learning environment.

Girls in Grades K4-8

- ◆ Grades K through 3 wear navy blue jumpers; twill, or corduroy uniform pants, in either navy blue or black. (No studs are allowed on any uniform pant.)
- ◆ Grades 4 through 8 wear pleated or straight uniform skirts (no shorter than 1" above the knee) or twill or corduroy uniform dress pants, all in either navy blue or black.
- ◆ Red, navy blue or white polo shirts/blouses that have a collar or turtleneck.
- ◆ They may be either short or long sleeve.

Boys in Grades K4-8

- ◆ Twill or corduroy uniform dress pants in either navy blue or black
- ◆ Red, white or navy blue polo shirts that have a collar or turtleneck. They may either be short or long sleeve.

All Students in Grades K4-8

- ◆ Uniform pants should be cotton twill or corduroy, not denim or knit. (No studs are allowed on any uniform pants.)
- ◆ Only sweatshirts with the school phoenix or MQS athletic logo (available for purchase through the school) will be acceptable as part of the uniform. A collared shirt must be worn under the sweatshirt.
- ◆ Twill uniform dress shorts, capris, or skorts may be worn from May 1st through September 30th, in either navy blue or black.
- ◆ White, blue, black or red plain dress sweaters or sweatshirts may be worn in cold weather.
- ◆ All uniform clothing is available at JCPenney, TARGET Stores, The Uniform Place, Kohl's and the Gap.

Gym Clothes

- ◆ A separate pair of gym shoes must be kept at school at all times.
- ◆ All students in grades 4-8 must wear gym uniforms for gym class.
- ◆ Students in grades 4-8 must bring non-aerosol deodorant.
- ◆ Gym uniform, (shirts and shorts), must be purchased through the school.

Outdoor Wear

- ✧ It will be the responsibility of the parents that their children are dressed appropriately for the weather conditions.
- ✧ Students in grades K4-3rd must wear boots and bring a pair of shoes to change into when there is snow on the ground.
- ✧ Students in grades 4-8 must wear boots or bring a second pair of shoes when there is snow on the ground.

Additional Guidelines to the Dress Code – *this also applies to non-uniform days*

- ✧ Students must look neat at all times. Long shirts must be tucked in.
- ✧ Only plain white T-shirts may be worn under uniform shirts.
- ✧ A collared shirt must be worn under sweatshirts and sweaters.
- ✧ Students must wear solid-colored socks or stockings; no bare feet inside shoes.
- ✧ Shoes must have closed toe and closed back.
- ✧ Sandals, high heels, clogs, and platforms are NOT to be worn.
- ✧ All shoes with laces must be tied.
- ✧ Scouts may wear Scout uniforms on the day of their meetings.
- ✧ Coats and hats may not be worn during class time.
- ✧ Hair may not be cut, styled or dyed in a drastic or faddish way (this is at discretion of school officials.)
- ✧ Earrings must be stud types ONLY (no hoop or dangling earrings); no other body piercing may be worn.
- ✧ No tattoos can be displayed.
- ✧ Only single strand necklaces and bracelets.
- ✧ No nail polish or false fingernails.
- ✧ No perfume, lipstick, blush, eye shadow, mascara, glitter, or any other make-up, with the exception of flesh colored acne medication or concealer.

Non-uniform Days

- ✧ Attire needs to be neat and clean.
- ✧ Shorts need to be walking short length.
- ✧ Sleeveless tops may not resemble a tank top.
- ✧ Skirts and blouses must be long enough to cover skin and underwear, front and back, especially when sitting or bending over.
- ✧ Clothing may not have inappropriate pictures or wording.
- ✧ Clothing may not be torn or ragged-looking.

Interpretation and implementation of any part of this school uniform/dress code policy are left to the principal in consultation with teachers. Parents will be notified when their child does not meet the guidelines or is out of uniform. If a student is consistently out of uniform, parents will be called to bring the clothes so that the student can change.