

## **DESCRIPTION OF THE UNIFORM**

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We are a uniform school which must be worn at all times, unless special concessions are made. It is the parent's responsibility to ensure that their children are in the approved uniform from our supplier, Neat Uniforms. Parents must contact the classroom teacher by written note if, for any reason, the child cannot wear the entire uniform. The school uniform should be kept neat and clean and all uniform items are to be labeled with the child's name.

### **Enforcement**

The St. Joseph's School uniform policy will be strictly enforced. Once again, it is the responsibility of the parents to ensure that their children attend school wearing the entire uniform in a neat and presentable manner. Parents will be called if uniform becomes a reoccurring concern and may be asked to either bring the correct uniform or pick up their child to change.

Teachers are required to enforce the uniform policy fairly and without exception.

### **Exceptions**

From time to time, special "non-uniform" days may be appropriate. Dress is to be modest and in good taste – no bare shoulders or exposed stomachs, short shorts or underwear. The school administration reserves the right to contact parents of students who are not dressed appropriately. Students do have the option of wearing their school uniform instead. Most field trips require school uniforms. However, in consultation with the principal, the teacher may advise that children dress more appropriately for specific activities.

**Girls' Winter Uniform:** To be worn first day following Thanksgiving day long weekend until Spring Break

Jumper/Tunic: Grades K-3 grey jumper or a grey skort - no shorter than 2" above the knee

Skirts: Grades 4-7 grey kilt or a grey skort. Skirt and skort lengths are to be modest and should be at knee level. Skirts or skorts may not be shorter than 2" above the knee.

Pants: Grades K-7 girl's grey dress pants

Tie: Grey and burgundy single-crested tie

Blouse: Plain white cotton blouse, buttoned down the front. Collar should be pointed. Sleeves may be long or short. No stand up collars, frills, lace or embroidery on blouses, or patterned T-shirts under blouses.

Sweater: Burgundy cardigan, pull-over, or vest. School sweater must be worn at the beginning of each day and at every school gathering, Mass and assembly.

Shoes: Plain black shoes free of coloured logos or stitching. Pump-style shoes, boots, or heels higher than 1/2 inch are not allowed.

Socks: Grey knee-high socks or leotards. No frills, lace on socks or leotards.

**Note 1:** Make-up and nail polish are not permitted. One earring per ear (small stud or sleeper) is permitted. Haircuts should be neat and compliment the school uniform – no extreme haircuts or styles (including razor cut/dyed designs) Hair dying or bleaching is not allowed. Hair bands must small and white, black, grey or burgundy - no other colours are permitted. No other ornaments allowed.

**Note 2:** For students wearing Hijab, colours must be either gray, white, burgundy, or black.

**Girls' Summer Uniform:** To be worn after Spring Break until the first day after Thanksgiving, except for masses and special events as indicated by school administration.

Jumper/Tunic: Grades K-3 grey jumper or a grey skort - no shorter than 2" above the knee

Skirts: Grades 4-7 grey kilt or a grey skort. Skirt and skort lengths are to be modest and should be at knee level. Skirts or skorts may not be shorter than 2" above the knee.

Pants: Grades K-7 girl's grey dress pants

Blouse: St. Joseph's crested polo shirt or plain white cotton blouse, buttoned down the front. Collar should be pointed. Blouse sleeves may be long or short. No stand up collars, frills, lace or embroidery on blouses, or patterned T-shirts under blouses.

Sweater: Burgundy cardigan, pull-over, or vest. Optional with summer uniform.

Shoes: Plain black shoes free of coloured logos or stitching. Pump-style shoes, boots, or heels higher than 1/2 inch are not allowed.

Socks: Grey knee-high socks or leotards. No frills, lace on socks or leotards.

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**Boys' Winter Uniform:** To be worn first day following Thanksgiving day long weekend until Spring Break

Pants: Plain grey dress pants. (We recommend a colour fast viscose/polyester blend).

Shirt: Plain white long sleeved or short sleeved dress shirt  
Boys are not to wear gym shirts or patterned T-shirts under school shirts.

Tie: Grey and burgundy single-crested tie

Sweater: Burgundy V-neck pull-over sweater or vest. School sweaters must be worn at the beginning of each day and at every school gathering, Mass and assembly.

Socks: Grey or black socks.

Shoes: Plain black shoes free of coloured logos or stitching. No boots are allowed.

**Note:** Hair length is to be above the shirt collar. Hair cuts should be neat and compliment the school uniform – no extreme haircuts or styles (including razor cut/dyed designs). Hair dying or bleaching and pony-tails are not allowed. One earring per ear (small stud or sleeper) is permitted.

**Boys' Summer Uniform:** To be worn after Spring Break until the first day after Thanksgiving, except for masses and special events as indicated by school administration.

- Pants: Plain grey walking shorts or plain grey dress pants. (We recommend a colour fast viscose/polyester blend).
- Shirt: St. Joseph's crested polo shirt or plain white short or long sleeved or short sleeved dress shirt. Boys are not to wear gym shirts or patterned T-shirts under school shirts.
- Sweater: Burgundy V-neck pull-over sweater or vest. Sweater is optional with summer uniform.
- Socks: Grey or black socks.
- Shoes: Plain black shoes free of coloured logos or stitching. No boots are allowed.
- Note:** Hair length is to be above the shirt collar. Haircuts should be neat and compliment the school uniform – no extreme haircuts or styles (including razor cut/dyed designs). Hair dyeing or bleaching and pony-tails are not allowed. One earring per ear (small stud or sleeper) is permitted.

### **Physical Education Uniform:**

#### **Grade K-3 (NEW)**

Boys and girls have the same uniforms which are to be purchased from Neat Uniforms ([www.neatuniforms.ca](http://www.neatuniforms.ca))

Grey t-shirt with school logo OR Timber wolves T-shirt

Burgundy shorts (knee length)

Runners with non-marking soles (low cut runners are the best)

White socks with burgundy stripe or plain white

\*Optional St. Joseph's jogging pants/sweatshirt with logo (grey)

\*\*Students should wear their gym uniform to school on gym days and they will remain in them (even mass days)

#### **Grade 4-7**

Boys and girls have the same uniforms which are to be purchased from Neat Uniforms ([www.neatuniforms.ca](http://www.neatuniforms.ca))

Grey t-shirt with school logo OR Timber wolves T-shirt

Burgundy shorts (knee length)

Runners with non-marking soles (low cut runners are the best)

White socks with burgundy stripe or plain white

Parents are to write a note in the event their child does not have his/her complete gym uniform on P.E. days.

\*\*Students in grade 4-7 will be permitted to come to school in their gym strip ONLY if their gym class is the first block of the day. Otherwise, it is expected that students come in full uniform and then change at school.

All uniform sales of crested items will be done on-line through Neat Uniform at [www.neatuniforms.ca](http://www.neatuniforms.ca). Once on the website, parents must click the PRE-REGISTER icon on the homepage. Once registered, parents can view the school uniform. Neat Uniforms may be contacted by phone at 1-604-205-7560 or 1-800-668-8261.

For defective products the parent needs to contact the Neat Uniform store [604 205 7560](tel:6042057560) or [1800 668 8261](tel:18006688261) and speak with one of the staff. A prepaid mailer will be sent to the customer's email and the product will be received at our location. A replacement will be sent at no charge to the home.

Products that are unaltered, unwashed and with labels can be exchanged within 30 days. As for the fitting day purchases, Neat Uniforms will do exchanges till the end of September as kids will grow over the summer in some cases. Neat Uniforms always encourage parents to buy slightly larger to allow for growth spurts

**Used Uniform Sales:** For your convenience, the Parents' Advisory Council has organized a used uniform sales program for parents of students in Preschool to Grade Seven. The uniforms are available to view anytime