

DRESS CODE

2010-2011 School Year

School dress codes prepare students for future life experiences, and the St. Vincent - St. Mary High School expectation is that all students will demonstrate personal pride and good taste in their appearance. While we recognize that no dress code can anticipate every possible situation, the administration does reserve the right to make final decisions about the appropriate appearance of any student.

PROPER ATTIRE

- Only solid color short-sleeved T-shirts may be worn underneath the school shirt.
- Collared STVM school shirt tucked in, both boys and girls.
- Crewneck STVM sweater/V-Neck STVM cardigan or sweater (ribbed or cotton) in white, maize or evergreen may be worn over the school shirt.
- Pants that are dress slacks or Dockers style or corduroy or cargos, must be solid color and only in the gray/black or beige/tan/brown family. (Girls may wear solid color skirts no shorter than knee length in any of those same colors.) Brown or black belts must be worn with any pants that have belt loops.
- Casual or dress shoes or clean and neat tennis shoes; shoes with laces must be tied. Boys must wear socks. Girls may wear dress sandals.
- The senior class shirts may be worn on Fridays only.

UNACCEPTABLE:

- Any clothes that are too short, too low, too tight or form fitting.
- Drooping, baggy or low-rise pants, denim pants of any type or color, pants with side stripes or large logos or patches, ornamentation, animal prints or plaid.
- Any clothing with frayed hems or holes.
- Boots, flip flops, shower shoes, slippers or extremely high-heeled shoes.
- Shorts or sweatshirts.
- Leggings, fishnet stockings, patterned hosiery.

FURTHER GUIDELINES

- Long-sleeved T-shirts MAY NOT be worn under the short-sleeved STVM shirt.
- Jackets or coats are considered to be outerwear and are not to be worn in the school.
- Spiked hair and/or distracting hair styles are not permitted.
- Unnatural hair colors are not permitted.
- Boys' hair may not extend below the ear, may not extend over the shirt collar, and when combed forward, may not be in the eyes; sideburns may not extend below the bottom of the ear.
- For boys, earrings or band aids over earrings are not permitted; earrings for girls are limited to a maximum of three (3) in each ear.
- Tattoos may not be visible at school or during school-sponsored events.
- No cleavage or bare midriffs are to be visible at school or school-sponsored activities.
- Body piercing may not be visible.
- Girls' make-up should mildly enhance natural features and not alter appearances.
- No hair carvings.
- No facial hair

DRESS UP DAY DRESS CODE

Some days on which school liturgies or prayer services are planned or other special designated occasions may be designated as "Dress Up Days". The code for these days will be as follows:

BOYS

- Shirt and tie.
- Sport coat and/or sweaters are optional.

GIRLS

- Modest, dressy tops, knee-length skirts, dresses, slacks and gauchos (below the knee).
- Dress shoes with the proper foot covering.
- No leggings.

SPIRIT DAY DRESS CODE

- St. Vincent – St. Mary t-shirt or sweatshirt with the school name, insignia or logo printed on it.
- Any jeans, sweatpants, wind pants, or nylon jogging pants without holes.
- Athletic shoes or regular school shoes.
- No earrings for the boys.
- No hats, caps, dew rags, headbands or bandanas.
- No shorts, tank tops, sleeveless tops, sandals, or flip flops.
- Any student choosing not to participate must be in regular, approved clothing for the day.

ATHLETIC EVENT DRESS CODE

- Students may paint faces, color their hair, paint shirts, arms and legs.
- Students must wear shirts. No "wife-beater" undershirts may be worn unless worn over a T-shirt.

DISCIPLINE PROCEDURE FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE DRESS CODE

Demerits are issued. A student will not be permitted to attend class until he/she is in conformity with the school dress code. Classwork and tests missed due to dress code exclusions will not be made up; grades of F or 0 are recorded. A parent or guardian will need to bring proper dress code attire. Students are not permitted to leave the building to acquire the proper dress code attire.