

UNIFORMS

Policy

SMPS maintains a strong tradition of school uniforms that reflect school pride, modesty, and appropriate regard for personal appearance. Every student is expected to be in uniform every day. Failure to cooperate with the uniform policy will result in uniform infractions. Current trends and fads will be addressed as they arise. Should changes be made, students and families will be informed. The goal is to maintain an atmosphere that reflects Catholic values and is conducive to academic pursuits.

Where to Purchase

New uniforms are available through [Global Schoolwear by Tommy Hilfiger](#) (use code: **STMI11**).

Expectations

Parents are expected to help children keep the school uniform code. At SMPS we wear uniforms because:

1. They represent our Catholic school image and tradition.
2. They discourage differences brought about by various income levels, thus eliminating unnecessary peer pressure and allowing the attention of the students to be directed to learning.
3. They assure that the dress standards of the school emphasize neatness.
4. They promote an image of pride both at and away from school and help create a positive climate of discipline and responsibility.
5. They are less costly to families and more easily maintained.
6. They promote an attitude of moderation and modesty.

Student Uniform Rules :

1. Students will be in uniforms that fit properly and are neat and clean.
2. Students will be in uniforms that are in good repair.
3. Uniform shirts must be worn under the school sweatshirt, sweater, fleece or vest and are to be tucked into their pants/skirts.
4. T-shirts worn under the uniform shirt must be plain white.
5. No sweatshirts, large shirts, sweaters, jackets (other than uniform logo wear) will be worn during class.
6. All hats are to be taken off as students enter the building.
7. Students are not allowed to write on any part of their bodies, as this creates a distraction in the classroom.
8. All students shall have a uniform sweater, vest, fleece, pullover or sweatshirt and will wear "full uniform" (with a sweater, sweatshirt, fleece, pullover or vest) on designated days. Students always wear full uniforms for Mass days, picture days, and other special events.

Dress Code

Clothing and Accessories

	Color(s) Grade(s)	Notes
Sweaters	Green (PK-5) Navy (6-8)	Solid color. Long sleeve V-neck, Long sleeve full zip, V-neck vest or Cardigan. All sweaters must be worn with collared shirts beneath. May have SMPS logo if purchased through Global Schoolwear .
Crewneck Sweatshirt	Green (PK-5) Navy (6-8)	School Uniforms by Tommy Hilfiger only Global Schoolwear . (LOGO REQUIRED)
½ Zip Pullover/Fleece	Green (PK-5) Navy (6-8)	School Uniforms by Tommy Hilfiger only Global Schoolwear . (LOGO REQUIRED)
Polo Shirts	Solid White or Navy (PK-8)	Long or short sleeve. Must be tucked in. May have SMPS logo if purchased through Global Schoolwear .

Pants	Khaki (PK-8)	Boys and girls. Chino uniform-style slacks, worn at waist, hem at top of shoe. No cargo pants. No joggers. No knit/spandex pants.
Shorts	Khaki (PK-8)	Boys and girls. Walking style, top of knee length, fitted, worn at waist. No shorter than 2" above the back of the knee.
Jumpers	Belair plaid (PK- 5)	No shorter than 3" above the back of the knee. Shorts may be worn under jumpers but must not be visible below the hem.
Skirts	Belair Plaid* (PreK-5)	Worn at waist. No shorter than 3" above the back of the knee. Shorts may be worn under skirts but must not be visible below the hem. *KHAKI will be permitted for PK-5 in the 2024-25 school year. Belair Plaid will be <u>required</u> in the 2025-26 school year.
	Khaki (6-8)	School Uniforms by Tommy Hilfiger only Global Schoolwear . Worn at waist. No shorter than 3" above the back of the knee. Shorts may be worn under skirts but must not be visible below the hem.
Skorts	Belair plaid (PreK-5)	Worn at waist. No shorter than 3" above the back of the knee. *KHAKI will be permitted for PK-5 in the 2024-25 school year. Belair Plaid will be required in the 2025-26 school year.
	Khaki (6-8)	School Uniforms by Tommy Hilfiger only Global Schoolwear . Worn at waist. No shorter than 3" above the back of the knee.
Undershirts	White (PK-8)	Optional. Tucked in, not visible.
Belts	Navy, brown, black	Optional. Preferred in grades 5-8.
Shoes	Black, white, brown, navy (neutral colors - no neon)	Athletic/tennis shoes preferred. (Must have athletic/tennis shoes for PE days). Heels <1", non-skid, sturdy, fully-enclosed. No sandals, slip-ons or slippery-soled party shoes. No flip flops. No crocs. No boots. No platforms. Rain/snow boots may be worn to school and at recess ONLY .
Socks		Solid white, navy blue, or black--logos okay.
Leggings		Solid black, white, navy, or dark green. Under uniform skirts only.
Outerwear	Weather appropriate	No depiction of violence, gangs, rocks groups, tobacco, alcohol, etc., allowed. Not to be worn in classrooms.
PE	Boys + Girls (6-8)	School Uniforms by Tommy Hilfiger only Global Schoolwear . PE uniform <u>REQUIRED</u> for all students in grades 6-8.
Spirit Wear		School Uniforms by Tommy Hilfiger only Global Schoolwear .

Appearance (miscellaneous)

Makeup	Female students in middle school may wear make-up if it is simple, subtle, and appropriate. Make-up should look natural and not be noticeable; if it is noticeable, then it is too much for school. Make-up is not to be applied or freshened during the school day.
Hair	Hair must be neat, clean, with no artificial (unnatural) colors, and well-groomed. Hairstyles or colors that draw attention to the individual or are disruptive to the learning environment are not acceptable. Hair ornaments should complement the colors of the uniform and not be distracting. All students must keep their hair out of their eyes. If a hairstyle becomes distracting or a student is unable to adhere to these guidelines, a conference may be arranged with parents, students, and administration.
Jewelry	Should be simple, not distracting, dangling or overly large, or of a color or style that does not complement the uniform. Only one set of pierced earrings may be worn. Earring guideline: earrings should be the size of a dime or smaller. No jewelry should be worn which would impact the students' safety.
Piercing	No facial or visible body piercing allowed.
Tattoos	No visible or body tattoos allowed.

Non-Uniform Days

Occasionally the school will announce non-uniform days. It is the parents' responsibility to send their children in appropriate attire for school. Dress on these days must be neat, modest, and appropriate for school. If these requirements are not met, parents will be called to bring in appropriate clothing or the student will wear uniform clothing provided by the school.

Free Dress Days	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Observe modesty● Hoods, hats, or head coverings cannot be worn in buildings● Clothing should be free of inappropriate images or language.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Imprints on clothing may not refer to tobacco, alcohol, drugs, profanity, anything in poor or questionable taste, or ideologies that could be perceived as divisive.● No undersized, oversized, or unkempt clothing (e.g., no jeans with holes)● No tank tops (unless worn as undergarments)● No bare midriffs (tops should be long enough to tuck into bottoms)● Undergarments should not be visible● Skirts, dresses, and shorts must be no shorter than 3" above the back of the knee● No baggy sweatpants● Closed-toed shoes only● Non-athletic leggings may be worn, but tops must come to the mid-thigh
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