

Uniform and Dress Code

St. Patrick School of the Terre Haute Deanery has a school uniform and dress code. The uniform must be worn to school at all times except when Free Dress is permitted. Used school uniforms may be purchased through the school office. Size availability varies.

St. Patrick has partnered with School Uniforms by Tommy Hilfiger as an online option for purchasing khaki bottoms and guideline approved tops. This is the ONLY vendor for plaid jumpers and skirts. Items can be found on their website (www.globalschoolwear.com) using our school code of STPA07.

It is the expectation of St. Patrick School of the Terre Haute Deanery that all uniform items must be in good repair in order to be worn to school. Pants must be hemmed, no fraying at the bottom; shirts must have all buttons attached. Uniforms must be well-fitted, clean, and tidy at all times.

Pre-Kindergarten

All students may wear comfortable play clothes. Socks must be worn at all times. Shoes must have a back and be closed-toe. Shorts or leggings must be worn under skirts and dresses.

Options for Girls & Boys K-5

<u>To be worn on the bottom</u>: Khaki (tan or stone) pants, shorts, capris, skorts, skirts, or jumpers. Pants and shorts should not have cargo pockets. Jogger style or those gathered at the bottom are **NOT** permitted. All shorts, skorts, skirts, and jumpers must be no shorter than four inches above the knee. No rolling of waistbands on pants, shorts, skorts, or skirts is permitted. A belt must be worn with pants and shorts that have belt loops and are not elastic waist. Socks of appropriate style and color must be worn with shoes at all times.

For girls, super skinny and jegging fit pants are NOT permitted. Ankle length leggings and opaque tights of school appropriate style and color (solid navy, solid kelly green, or solid black) may be worn underneath skorts, skirts, and jumpers. Shorts or leggings must be worn under skirts and jumpers.

NO student shall have "bare legs" November 1st through March 1st.

To be worn on the top: A polo style shirt with a full short sleeve or long sleeve and button placket should be worn. Cap sleeves are not permitted. The shirt must be long enough to remain tucked into the uniform bottom. Shirts may be white, green, or navy. White is the only color shirt that may be worn without the school approved logo. Green and navy shirts that have the approved school logo must be purchased through the school office.

<u>Sweaters and Sweatshirts</u>: Solid white or solid navy sweaters are allowed, but must have no brand, logo, or colored trim. Plain white or navy blue solid colored crewneck sweatshirts without hoods may also be worn in addition to school-purchased Saint Patrick School sweatshirts. Appropriate uniform polo or button down must be worn under a sweater or sweatshirt with the collar showing.

Additional Options for Girls K-5

Blackwatch plaid jumper with white button-down or white polo. Jumpers are available only through www.globalschoolwear.com using our school code of **STPA07**.

Options for Middle School Girls & Boys

<u>To be worn on the bottom</u>: All Middle School students follow the same uniform guidelines as students in grades K-5, with the additional considerations:

- A belt must be worn at all times with all pants, shorts, and capris.
- NO elastic waistband permitted for pants, shorts, or capris.

<u>To be worn on the top</u>: All Middle School students follow the same uniform guidelines as students in grades K-5, with the additional considerations: Middle school students are permitted to wear any solid color polo, as long as it meets the above K-5 guidelines regarding style and fit.

<u>Sweaters and Sweatshirts</u>: All Middle School students follow the same uniform guidelines as students in grades K-5, with the additional ability to wear a school-approved special middle school sweatshirt

Additional Options for Middle School Girls

Blackwatch plaid skirt with white button-down or white polo. Skirts are available only through www.globalschoolwear.com using our school code of STPA07.

Accessories for Grades K-8

Belts must be worn at all times if the uniform bottom has loopholes and is not elastic. Middle school students **must** wear a belt with all pants, shorts, and capris. Belts may be any appropriate color, but must be trouser style only; no scarf, ribbon, or chain belts are permitted.

Shoes can be any style as long as they have a closed heel, closed toe, and can remain fastened. Slides, flip-flops, sandals, and slippers of any kind may not be worn. Crocs are NOT permitted.

Fashion scarves are not allowed.

Hair & Grooming for Grades K-8

Sculptured haircuts (i.e. mohawks, shaved in words/pictures) are not allowed and hair must be a natural color. Tinsel hair extensions are NOT permitted. For boys, hair should not touch their shirt collar and bangs must be cut above the eyebrow. For girls, hair must be pulled out of their eyes and properly groomed so that it is not a distraction.

Jewelry & Makeup for Grades K-8

Students in grades K-5 may not wear makeup. Minimal makeup may be worn in grades 6-8. Jewelry must be minimal – one earring per ear (no chandelier earrings, no hoops larger than one inch, or no gauge earrings). Watches are permitted but they may not be smartwatches. Artificial/fake fingernails are NOT permitted for any grade.

Free Dress Days

Students in grades K-5 will have one Free Dress the last Friday of the month. For students to be able to participate, they must have fewer than four (4) uniform infractions.

Middle School students have Free Dress every Friday. For students to be able to participate, they must have fewer than two (2) demerits for the week (the week is considered Friday through Thursday). Middle School students will lose Free Dress privileges if they have ten (10) demerits in a quarter.

Throughout the year, Parent Club provides the opportunity for purchase and incentives of Free Dress Coupons. All Free Dress Coupons for Grades K-5 must be used on Fridays only, and only if the student is in good standing. Middle School students will use Free Dress Coupons on specified days only. Students will not be allowed to use the Free Dress Coupon if they have two demerits in a week or 10 demerits in a quarter.

The school office will also offer Free Dress at their discretion for special holidays and events.

On days that have been designated as Free Dress, students should adhere to the following guidelines:

- Length and fit of clothing should always follow the regular uniform guidelines.
- This includes but is not limited to the following: socks at all times, no spaghetti straps, tank top straps must be two inches wide, and no tight or low-cut clothing. All graphics must be school appropriate.
- All bottoms must be free of rips and tears. Leggings are NOT permitted unless under a skirt or jumper.
- Clothing must be neat and clean and should fit appropriately.

Questionable styles are left to the discretion of the school administration.

St. Patrick School of the Terre Haute Deanery considers the non-compliance of the school dress code to be an issue of disrespect. Disciplinary action will take place for repeated offenses.

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