

WYOMING AREA CATHOLIC SCHOOL DRESS CODE - Grades Pre-K thru 8 2020-2021

Regarding the new uniform guidelines, our main goal is to make it easier for you the parents and to ensure all uniforms are laundered daily as we work to minimize the spread of any germs or potential COVID. Students have a <u>lot of options</u> this year and with these options we have tried to think of what will be easiest for the parents and most cost effective. The idea of allowing sneakers was decided because, with the uncertainty of school closures again, our thoughts were that not having to purchase a leather "school" shoe that might not be worn for a bit (or at all) would save our families money until we return to school on a regular basis. Please know that is an "option" and not a requirement. If you want to purchase shoes, you may and all we ask is that upon returning home after school, steps are taken to clean all school related items for added protection both at home and at school.

DRESS CODE FOR PRE-K STUDENTS:

Pre K students will be required to wear school gym uniforms to school every day. The uniforms will consist of navy blue shorts, navy blue tee shirts, navy blue sweatpants and navy blue sweatshirts with the <u>school logo</u> and are available for purchase at Flynn and O'Hara Uniforms or at Argo's, Wyoming Avenue, Exeter.

In addition, Pre K students are required to wear <u>sneakers and socks</u> to school. Sandals, open toe or open back shoes & shoes without socks are not permitted at any time for safety reasons.

<u>2020-2021 OPTIONS FOR GIRLS (Kindergarten – Grade 8):</u>

Girls in Grades K – 5 may wear WACS short or long sleeve polo shirts with the uniform shorts, skort or jumper (K-3) or uniform shorts, skort or skirt (Gr. 4 & 5)

Girls in Grades 6, 7 & 8 may wear WACS short or long sleeve polo shirts with their skirts or shorts. Girls in Grades 6, 7 & 8 **may not** wear skorts.

Girls in K – Grade 8 may wear may wear navy blue uniform slacks (no corduroys, jeans, leggings or other shade of blue) with the WACS short or long sleeve polo shirt.

Girls in K - 3 also have the option to wear blue turtleneck with school initials (no other turtleneck) or white or light blue blouse with their jumper or slacks. If turtleneck or blouse is worn with slacks, either the gym uniform sweatshirt or the uniform cardigan sweater must be worn (no other sweatshirt or cardigan sweater is permitted).

Girls in Grades 5 – 8 have the option to wear uniform skirt or slacks with a white or light blue blouse or blue turtleneck with school initials (no other turtleneck) with either the gym uniform sweatshirt, the uniform the navy weskit vest or the uniform v-neck sweater/sweater vest.

Non scuffing sneakers may be worn with any uniform including jumpers, pants and skirts. Students still have the option to wear School shoes but school shoes are not mandatory this year.

2020-2021 OPTIONS FOR BOYS (Kindergarten – Grade 8):

Boys in K through Grade 8 may wear navy uniform dress pants (no corduroys, jeans, or other shade of blue) with WAC short or long sleeve polo shirt or white or light blue dress shirt.

The Gym Sweatshirt or Uniform navy pull over sweater may be worn over the polo or dress shirt for warmth during cold weather. No other sweatshirts, sweaters or hoodies may be worn.

Non scuffing sneakers **may be worn with any uniform including uniform dress pants.** Students still have the **option** to wear School shoes but school shoes are not mandatory this year.

ADDITIONAL DRESS CODE INFORMATION:

<u>Belts:</u> Belts must be worn with shorts or pants/slacks - Plain brown or black. No other colors, no designs. Belts should not hang that they need to be placed in a pocket. <u>School Shoes definition:</u> Dark colors (black, brown or navy blue), loafer or dress style. Heels on shoes should be less than 2 inches (Safety). No sandals, no moccasins or crocs, no ballet type shoes, **no canvas shoes**, no boots, no climbing shoes or boots, no open back/clog style shoes, no shoes in colors other than black, navy blue or brown, no shoes with ornamentation of any kind.

<u>Uniform Pants/Shorts:</u> Navy blue uniform long pants or Navy blue uniform shorts. No cargo shorts/pants, no designs, no jeans.

<u>Hair:</u> Boys must have hair conservatively groomed. Hair length should be significantly above the collar. Boys' & Girls' hairstyles must be appropriate for school & unnatural hair color (including streaking & highlights) is NOT permitted. <u>Headbands:</u> The only headbands girls are permitted to wear are the uniform headband purchased at Flynn & O'Hara or <u>plain solid color</u> headband. No other headbands are acceptable – no ornamentation on headbands. Other hair ornamentation (such as hair bows of any kind or fancy barrettes) is NOT permitted.

<u>Jewelry:</u> Girls may wear **one pair of post type** earrings in **earlobe only** (one in each ear; no dangling or hoop earrings)— no other piercing. Boys are **not** permitted to wear earrings. Plain style watches may be worn but **no bracelets or other types** of wrist bands or wrist jewelry. **Fitbits & I-phone/Smartwatches may not be worn** to school. These items are distracting & expensive to replace. A religious cross or medal may be worn but no other types of neck jewelry are permitted. One ring per hand may be worn.

<u>Makeup/Nail Polish:</u> No makeup is permitted. Artificial nails are **not** permitted and **only clear nail polish** may be worn.

<u>Purses:</u> Students may not carry a purse of any kind in school or bring a purse to school.

DRESS CODE FOR PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLASS (All students)

Navy/white uniform sweat shorts (no shorter than 2 inches above the knee and no longer than 2 inches below the knee) with school logo, navy or white uniform tee shirt (WACwear Under Armour locker tee shirts that were sold through the school are permitted), plain white socks, sneakers. Sneakers have to be full sneakers –NO HALF BACK OR CLOG SNEAKERS ARE TO BE WORN (NO form of open heal sneakers may be worn). No other tee shirts may be worn.

Also, navy uniform sweat pants & sweatshirt with school logo, plain white socks, and sneakers. No other sweat pants or sweatshirts. Navy wind suit jacket and pants with school logo may also be worn.

Spirit Wear or any other WAC sweatshirts/tee shirts may only be worn on dress down days.

<u>DRESS UNIFORMS</u>: No Dress Uniforms this year. **Boys will not wear ties** with their shirts this year as ties are not easily laundered on a daily basis.

Dress Down (Out of Uniform) Days:

The Diocese of Scranton Elementary School Student-Parent Handbook states the "Out-of-Uniform Days" policy. Please note that the **following are not permitted** on "Dress Down" days: sweat pants, sleeveless/tank type shirts, shorts that are more than 2 inches above or 2 inches below the knee, miniskirts, torn, ripped or patched clothes, Crocs, sandals or open back shoes (**shoes/sneakers and socks must be worn to school**). The rules for jewelry & nail polish/make-up are the same on "Dress Down" days as on regular school days.

CELL PHONES

Students may take their cell phones to school but the phones must be turned off and stored in the student's backpack during school hours. At no time should a student have their cell phone on them when in school. If a student violates this rule, the cell phone will be confiscated and kept in the principal's office until a parent picks it up.