

23-24 BACK TO SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Dear St. Francis Xavier Families-

With our new school year upon us, we would like to provide all our families with our annual Back to School newsletter. This newsletter contains a lot of information and resources, not only for the beginning of the school year, but throughout. *We hope you will find this helpful and suggest you tuck it somewhere that you can easily access it for further reference.* If any of this information should change during the school year, you will be notified in our monthly newsletters and/or through emails. Please note that this information, along with much more, can be found in our Parent/Student Handbook on our website, which will be available soon.

This year there have been several teacher/staff changes. We would like to welcome, Jade Geuder- Kindergarten, Maggie Abbott & Cheryl Putz- 1st grade, Kylie Kelchen- 2nd grade, Lisa Reed- 6th grade, Kelly White- 3 yr old preschool and Meg Recker- Teacher Associate. We also welcome Lauren Anstoetter- Beckman/Xavier School Recruitment Coordinator/PR and Mike Brant - Part-Time School Maintenance. We also welcome Molly Lansing and Susie Clemen, our 2 new faces in our lunch program. We look forward to getting to know and work with all of them this school year!

We want to thank Anita Gleason and Kay Klaren, who have retired, as well as Melissa Douglas, Michelle Klas, Hanna Kramer, Bailey Vance, Angela English, Joan Hinerichsen, Lea Keuter and Ellen Tegler for their years of service at Xavier School. It "takes a village" to teach a child, and everyone here at Xavier plays an important part in this process. We wish them many blessings and the best of luck as they begin new chapters in their lives. They will all be missed!

AND...last but certainly not least, we would like to welcome all our new & returning families to a new school year! We pray that God will continually be with you and bless your families this 23-24 school year.

God Bless & Happy School Year!
St. Francis Xavier Teachers and Staff

School Start Time, Arrival Times & Student Drop-off Procedures

School Start Times- Our start time is 8:10 am. Students arriving after 8:10 am will be considered tardy. Each year there is the possibility that these times could change due to busing issues. If this is the case, the school will inform you of this.

- **EARLY CHILDHOOD (3 YR /4 YR PRESCHOOL) AND JR. KINDERGARTEN DROP-OFF & PICK-UP PROCEDURE** Please refer to the instructions that were given to you by your child's teacher regarding drop-off and pick-up. Please continue to be cautious to prevent accidents. A reminder to parents that we do have an Extended Care Program available in the AM and PM for all ages, so please take advantage of it.
- **KINDERGARTEN THROUGH 6 TH GRADE STUDENTS DROP-OFF PROCEDURE** - Bus students, car riders, walkers, and bike riders will enter the school building at the auditorium. We highly encourage students not to arrive any earlier than 7:45 am unless they are choosing to eat breakfast, or are bus students. Breakfast starts at 7:30 am.
 - **Walkers, bike riders, and car riders** - We are asking that all walkers, bike riders, and car riders arrive **NO EARLIER than 7:45 am**. If there are extenuating circumstances that prevent this, then you must contact Mr. Smith to work out the details. A reminder to

parents that we do have an Extended Care Program available for all ages, so please take advantage of it.

- **Morning Car Rider Drop-Off Procedure**- Students are to be dropped off in the west parking lot or the front of the south entrance of the auditorium. It is MUCH PREFERRED that car riders be dropped off in the west parking lot.

***South Entrance Drop-Off** - If you are dropping your child off in front of the south entrance of the auditorium, please do not park your car there, as it slows down the flow of traffic. You need to pull up parallel to the sidewalk and drop your child off.

***West Parking Lot Drop-Off** - If you wish to drop your child off in the west parking lot, you will need to come into the parking lot through the south entrance of the parking lot and pull your vehicle up along the school garage area to allow the maximum number of cars to line up and drop off children. When you have dropped off your child(ren) you need to leave the parking lot through the west exit.

Absence/Late Arrival - If you know that your child is going to be absent or late, please contact the school office by phone no later than 8:05 am informing staff of the reason for the absence. When calling, please make sure you speak with one of the office staff, either Jenn, Cathy, or Jenny. If there is no answer you may leave a voicemail up until 8:05 am. You are welcome to send an email to your child's classroom teacher early in the day, but the office MUST also receive that same message. If we have not received a call in regards to this, the office secretary will call you by 9:00 am to determine their whereabouts. We do not want any child being lost between home and school. If a student will be absent for an extended time due to illness, parents/guardians should inform the principal/school office.

Attendance Calculation in POWERSCHOOL - Attendance is calculated on half days or whole days of attendance/absence in PowerSchool. Codes with AM or PM indicate which half of the day was counted as an absence. This is set by PowerSchool and is something that we at the school level are unable to change. For this reason, we ask that parents sign in and out on the visitor sheet with times when students have appointments, late arrivals, leave early, or are tardy. This helps us aid in recording those times in the PowerSchool attendance page for your student, gives us a more accurate picture of the actual time frame that they are in attendance for that day, and helps if an attendance issue is in question for your student.

Dropping Off Student Items - If your student has forgotten an item for school or you are dropping off treats, etc. we ask that you leave them in the office and one of our staff will get the item(s) to that student. This helps to reduce interruptions to classroom teaching time. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation with this matter.

****BIRTHDAY TREATS- Only prepackaged birthday treats (granola bars, bags of chips, pudding cups, Jello cups, candy bars, fruit roll ups, cheese sticks, etc.) will be allowed!**

IMPORTANT: Please DO NOT have flowers, balloons, etc. delivered to the school for your child's birthday or other celebrations. Students will not be allowed to bring them into the classroom!

Signing In & Out of School for Visitors & Students - All of our doors are locked during the day. Intercom systems are located by our main east doors (office side of the building) and our main west doors (parking lot side that enters into the Atrium). In order for anyone to enter the building, they must be buzzed in from the main east entrance or our main west entrance doors. The intercom system has a camera and speaker for office staff to hear and view the person at the door. At times it can be difficult to see who is at the door due to weather conditions fogging or creating moisture on the camera. Please do not take offense if we ask who you are and what you are here for.

If you are bringing your child to school after the school day has started, or if you need to pick them up early, you need to come to the office and sign them in or out depending on your situation. This procedure is

necessary to ensure the safety of our students, staff and visitors, especially if an emergency situation should arise. It is our number one priority to keep the students and staff here at Xavier safe throughout the school day & the school year.

Early Dismissals, School Closings, and Late Start Procedures

St. Francis Xavier Catholic School follows the Western Dubuque Community School District regarding school closings due to inclement weather. However, based on local conditions, St. Francis Xavier Catholic School may elect to close due to bad weather. Do not call the rectory or school. Listen to radio stations or TV channels for official announcements.

- *Please listen or watch any of the following stations for early dismissal, late arrivals, or cancellations:* AM 1480 or FM 107.5 WDBQ; FM 105.3 KLYV; FM103.3 WJOD; AM 1600; FM 99.3 KDST; KCRG TV 9; KWWL TV 7; KCRG TV.
- *Websites with weather/cancellation info are as follows:*
Western Dubuque Website: <http://www.w-dubuque.k12.ia.us/>
KWWL TV: <https://www.kwwl.com/weather/closings/>
KGAN TV: <https://www.kcrg.com/weather/closings/>
SchoolAlerts: <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/IAEDU6961/subscriber/new>

***** 23-24 WEDNESDAY EARLY DISMISSAL REMINDER: A reminder that there is a ONE HOUR early dismissal at 2:10 pm EVERY Wednesday for Teacher Learning this school year!**

School Dismissal Times & Student Pick-up Procedures

School Dismissal Times - Walkers and bike riders will be dismissed at 3:10 pm and bus riders, car riders and extended care will be dismissed at 3:13 pm. Dismissal will resume as it has in past years.

- *Walkers / Bike Riders*- Walkers and bike riders will be dismissed at 3:10 pm. Students who are walking home after school with other student(s)/sibling(s) must meet at the statue in the atrium before they leave. If the student(s)/sibling(s) that they are meeting up with does not show up at the statue, they must not leave, but come to the office and inform us of their situation. Thank you for respecting our policies as our goal is to keep Xavier students safe and avoid anyone from getting injured!
- *Bus Riders* - Bus riders will be dismissed at 3:13 pm and will be picked up in the front of school (east) & get directly on the bus they are riding home on.
- *Car Riders* - Car riders will be dismissed at 3:13 pm. All car riders are to be picked up in our school parking lot. Car riders ARE NOT allowed to be picked up in front of school or in the alley between school and church at dismissal. Please respect our policy in regards to this.
- *Extended Care* - will be dismissed at 3:13 pm to the school auditorium

**** Early Childhood Students:** Please refer to the information given to you by your child's teacher regarding after school pick-up procedure & locations.

****Please note:** There is a long RED line marking off the sidewalk on the west side of the school where students K - 6 will wait to be picked up. Know that the pick-up areas will remain the same throughout the school year. When parking in our parking lot, we strongly encourage families to park in the parking spaces with your vehicle facing the school, which will reduce the potential to hit a student or another vehicle. Facing the school will eliminate the need to back up. For the safety of the students and drivers, you or the person who is picking up your child(ren) **MUST** get out of your/their vehicle and walk to the designated areas to pick up your child(ren). Students WILL NOT be allowed to *leave the area until the person who has come to pick them up has walked to the designated area to get them. With a lot of vehicles in the parking lot, it can be difficult to see a student walking to a vehicle.*

Leaving Early / Transportation Changes- If your child has to leave early, or any change has been made regarding their transportation home from school, we ask that you make a phone call BEFORE 2:30 pm and speak to an office staff member. **Please do not email teachers past noon**, as they may not be able to check

their email this late in the day. This helps to ensure that your message is relayed to the teacher and student in the proper amount of time. You may send a note with your child for the office that morning, but we prefer a phone call. We understand that sometime situations / emergencies arise last minute, but if you know ahead of time, please call us before 2:30 pm. The office staff will inform teachers of the change. Please DO NOT email classroom teachers past 11 am, as they are not able to check their emails as frequently during the day.

Dress Code

The St. Francis Xavier Catholic School Board of Education approves and publishes yearly the school dress code. It can be accessed from the school's website, under the **PARENTS** Heading,

*** * 2023-2024 school year: Students are now required to wear the following colors for dress code shirts: gold, white, hunter green or forest green. Uniform acceptable Fleece: Xavier Logo Green fleece**

NOTE: Red colored polo shirts & red /gold OLD Xavier Logo Fleece/Sweatshirts will no longer be a part of Xavier's dress code.

Dress Code Days- Students are required to follow the rules for Xavier School Dress Code as stated in the Dress Code rules. The Dress Code information can be found on our school website under the Parents tab. We encourage all of our parents to help enforce the dress code so that we are all on the same page. If you have a question about an item of clothing or a concern, contact the school before sending your child in that particular piece of clothing.

- *Dress Code Consequences*- Students who come to school out of dress code will be sent to the office to change into appropriate clothing from the office. Parents will be notified of the inappropriate attire, so they can make the needed corrections. Additionally, if a student consistently comes to school out of dress code, the classroom teacher and/or principal will contact the parents to discuss the situation and any potential consequences.

***Note: The Principal will have the final decision on items pertaining to the Dress Code.**

Out of dress code days- Out of dress code days are scheduled once a month as a way for students to raise funds for charities, with a minimum donation of \$.50 to be out of dress code. Students are reminded to follow the rules for out of uniform days found in the Dress Code rules, which can be found on our school website, under the *Parents* tab and clicking on *Important Documents and Links*.

Health Office

Nurse- We will once again have Jolene Bagge as our school nurse. Jolene is a registered nurse who will be at Xavier a minimum of 1 1/2 days a week, more often if needed.

Dispensing Medication During School- Dispensing of prescription drugs will be administered by a nurse or office staff with training and with the written consent of parent(s). A physician's signed, dated authorization including the name of the student, physician, medication, dosage, and medication schedule must be given to the school on or with the original container. A record of each dose of medication administered will be documented in the pupil's health record. If your child needs to have medication administered during school hours, it is **IMPERATIVE** that it be brought in the **ORIGINAL BOTTLE/ CONTAINER** for the student's safety and the safety of the person administering it to them. **NO** baggies or other containers will be accepted and the medication **WILL NOT** be given. If you need an extra bottle/container for school use, please speak with your pharmacist and explain the situation to them. They should be able to accommodate. If you have any questions regarding this, you may call the school office at 875-7376 or you may review the policy in the Parent/Student handbook which is available on the Xavier website under the *Parents* tab and clicking *Health Information and Forms*.

Asthma Medications- Students utilizing asthma or airway constricting prescription medication are allowed to administer their own dosage provided a completed consent form is on file in the school's office.

Food Service

Lunch and Breakfast- The cost of lunch for the 23-24 school year will stay the same as the 22-23 school year. Lunch will be \$2.75 per day, breakfast \$1.75. If you are interested in applying for free or reduced lunch, please complete the application form located under the **Parents** heading, **Nutrition**, on our website and return it to the office, **Attention Emily Snyder: Food Service Director**.

NOTE: We have a new point of sale system in the Xavier cafeteria. All families with multiple students will have a family account. Please go to the following website: <https://stfrancisxavier.totalk12.com>. E-mails were sent on 7/25/23 with your family ID and computer-generated password. Once you sign in the first time, you will be able to change your password. Please contact Emily Snyder with any questions at (563)875-7376, extension 237.

Menus- Menus are available each month with the school's newsletter and on the school's website. It is also updated each week in PowerSchool's Daily Bulletin.

Visitors/Volunteers

In response to school safety issues that continue to plague America's schools, St. Francis Xavier will require all visitors/volunteers in our school to wear a "Visitor Badge" for all purposes. This "Visitor Badge" will help teachers and students to identify adults that have permission to be in the school building. You must sign in at the office and put on a "Visitor Badge" before you go to your designated area in the building. You must also return to the office to sign out and return the "Visitor Badge" before leaving. You will see bright green signs on the entrance doors of the school reminding you to do this. Visitors/Volunteers are expected to abide by all school regulations and conduct themselves properly. Visitors/Volunteers must dress appropriately and in good taste. Students who request to have a visitor attend school with them should discuss this with the teacher in advance to receive permission. Teachers have the right to refuse permission for a visitor.

Visitor/ Volunteer Parking

- ***Arrival Before 1 pm*** - Visitors/volunteers arriving before 1pm are allowed to park on the east side (front) of the school, as long as the visit is finished and vehicle is no longer in that spot after 3 pm. They will need to access intercom system at the front doors to be allowed into school, then proceed to the office for sign-in.
- ***Arrival After 1 pm*** - Visitors/Volunteers arriving after 1pm are asked to park in the school's west parking lot, access the intercom system at the west doors to be allowed into the school, and then proceed to the office for sign-in. This process ensures that if visits are running overtime cars are not blocking the east side school parking street where buses pick up our students at the end of the school day.

School Office Information

Office Hours - Xavier School Office Hours are Monday - Fridays, 7:45 am - 3:45 pm. It is encouraged to call the school if you wish to stop by after 3:30 pm to ensure office staff will be available.

Email Addresses for Principal, Office and Office Staff -

- General Office Email - sfxoffice@xavier.pvt.k12.ia.us .
- Office Staff Emails
 - * Principal, Mr. Peter Smith - psmith@xavier.pvt.k12.ia.us
 - * Business Manager, Jenny White - jwhite@xavier.pvt.k12.ia.us
 - * Administrative Assistant, Jennifer Helle - jhelle@xavier.pvt.k12.ia.us
 - * Secretary/Receptionist, Cathy Lueck – clueck@xavier.pvt.k12.ia.us

Website

The Xavier School web address is <https://www.xavier.pvt.k12.ia.us/>

Extended Care Program

St. Francis Xavier Extended Care is a safe and fun place for students to engage in activities, spend time with friends and a convenience for parents before and after school. We promote positive group interaction, giving children a choice in daily activities and encourage independent learning. The Extended Care Program is providing care for students from 6:30 am – 7:50 am and from 3:10 pm - 6:00 pm. The St. Francis Xavier Extended Care Program is licensed by the Department of Human Services and located in the Xavier Auditorium.

The Extended Care Program runs during the School Calendar Year. We provide care on all scheduled school days, 2 Hour Delays and Early Dismissal Days (either scheduled or weather related). We do not provide care during Holiday Breaks, Scheduled Days Off or Snow Days.

Rates for enrolled students: \$3.20 per hour/1st child, \$2.70 per hour/2nd child, \$2.35 per hour/3rd child. Billing is done by the hour. You will be billed a minimum of one hour per morning and one hour per afternoon on days your child/children attend. Drop-In rates: \$3.50 per hour. Snacks are provided for a fee of \$1.10 each.

Registration papers can be found on-line under *Parents* Heading and click on *Extended Care*. Parents may set up a permanent schedule or schedule time week by week. If you have any questions, feel free to contact St. Francis Xavier School.

Library Policies & Information

- Classrooms will be scheduled to visit the library once per week. Please check with your student's classroom teacher to find out when they will be visiting the library.
- Each student is allowed to check out two items per week. Please send your student's books back in time to be returned at their weekly library visit.
- All books can be renewed a total of two times for a total checkout of three weeks.
- Overdue notices are automatically generated on a weekly basis and sent home via the family's primary email addresses. We ask that overdue books be returned at the next scheduled library time.
- Books overdue by more than one month will be considered lost. A paper notice will be sent home with the replacement cost of the book. Payment will be due within 10 days of notice date. Additional checkouts will not be allowed until payment has been received or arrangements have been made with the school library.
- If a book is damaged, please contact the school library as soon as possible. Often times damaged books can be saved. **Please do not attempt to repair a book yourself.** If a book is damaged beyond repair, a paper notice will be sent home with the replacement cost. Payment will be due within 10 days of notice date. Additional checkouts will not be allowed until payment has been received or arrangements have been made with the school library.
- The school library's collection can be accessed online. Please go to www.xavier.pvt.k12.ia.us and click on Xavier Library, then click on the blue link above the picture of the school. From here, you can search the library's catalog by keyword, title, author, subject, or series. You are welcome to set up an account; please contact the school library if you would like to do so. By setting up an account, you can view what books your students have checked out and the due dates. Holds can also be placed on books. You do not need an account to search the catalog.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Rueber at drueber@xavier.pvt.k12.ia.us

Xavier School Association

The purpose of the Xavier School Association is not only to generate funds for the students to receive materials they normally would not, but also to build community and be ambassadors for Saint Francis Xavier

School. The school association is for all parents who have children attending Xavier. There is a core group that meets occasionally to coordinate fundraisers and other events. All Xavier Parents are highly encouraged and welcome to attend. We are ALWAYS looking for new members to join this group. Come attend a meeting and see what we are doing for our students. We look forward to having you join us! Your school association contact is Emily Snedden. If you have questions, you can email her at mwilgy@hotmail.com.

WD BUS RULE PROCEDURE POLICY:

The Mission of the WDCSD Student Transportation Department is to provide each student with quality, safe and efficient transportation services with a positive attitude

Safety is the priority; therefore, proper conduct on the school buses by all transported students is required. Transportation is a privilege granted to students depending on proper behavior, therefore the WDCSD has established transportation student behavior guidelines which apply to all students. Each student and their parent/guardian is responsible for the behavior of the student while on school provided transportation. A student's privilege to ride the school provided transportation may be suspended or revoked. Suspension of a student's bus riding privilege is not considered an exclusion, expulsion or suspension from school. The district does not provide alternative transportation for a student that has lost his/her riding privilege. Decisions regarding suspensions for special education students will be based upon their IEP needs/requirements. Parents are also responsible for their child's behavior while they are at their designated bus stop. These riding rules apply at the bus stop as well as at school in the afternoon during bus line-up.

These bus rules have been established for all students to follow to insure a safe ride for all.

1. Respect the bus driver, other students, property and themselves.
2. Obey the bus driver's instructions/directions the first time given.
3. Keep hands and feet off other people and their property.
4. Sit while the bus is in motion.
5. Speak only to those around them in conversational (inside) voices using respectful words.
6. Communicate any problems or conflicts with the bus driver.

To ensure the safety of all students, the following guidelines have been established to respond to students that interfere with the safety of others on WDCSD provided transportation.

LEVEL 1 - OFFENSE:

- ** Failure to follow bus driver's directions.
- ** Standing while bus is moving.
- ** Boarding/exiting at other than assigned bus stop.
- ** Excessive noise or misbehavior.
- ** Horseplay (Playing corners, throwing snow, chanting loudly).
- ** Food or drink on bus based on driver preference & state standards.
- ** Other forms of misbehavior that, in the view of the bus driver, create a safety concern.

LEVEL 1 - CONSEQUENCES:

Driver will contact transportation supervisor to alert them of continued issue on bus. Transportation will share the information with the school building administration.

First Offense: Written warning and up to three (3) day bus suspension

Second Offense: Written warning and up to five (5) day bus suspension

Third Offense: Considered Level 2 Offense

LEVEL 2 - OFFENSE:

- ** Threatening comments.
- ** Disrespecting others.
- ** Possession or use of anything that may be considered a weapon.
- ** Running beside a moving bus.
- ** Distracting the driver.
- ** Use of profanity or obscene actions/language.
- ** Extending any body parts out of the window while the bus is moving.
- ** Throwing or shooting objects.
- ** Vandalism of school or student property.

** Inappropriate use of electronic devices.

LEVEL 2 -CONSEQUENCES:

Driver will contact transportation supervisor to alert them of continued issue on bus. Transportation will share the information with the school building administration.

First Offense: Written warning and up to five (5) day bus suspension

Second Offense: Written warning and up to thirty (30) day bus suspension

Third Offense: Considered Level 3 Offense.

LEVEL 3 - OFFENSE:

** Possession of tobacco (including e-cigs and vaps), alcohol or illegal drugs.

** Possession of a weapon (including look alikes & toys), ammunition or firearms.

** Assault, violence toward bus drivers or student(s).

** Confirmed case of bullying.

** Flagrant disregard for safety.

LEVEL 3 -CONSEQUENCES:

Driver will contact transportation supervisor to alert them of continued issue on bus. Transportation will share the information with the school building administration.

First Offense: Minimum thirty (30) day bus suspension up to the remainder of the school year.

Also referral to school office for additional disciplinary action.

This information serves as notice to parents that safety is of the highest priority of WDCSD Transportation Department. These steps are in place to respond to behaviors that create a hazard to safe transportation.

Parents are urged to review this information with their children, establish their own expectations for safe behavior while on school provided transportation, and ensure students are aware of the WDCSD expectations for student behavior as stated above.



BUS RULES:



1. **Respect** the bus driver, other students, property and themselves.
2. **Obey the bus driver's** instructions/directions the first time given.
3. **Keep** hand and feet off other people and their property.
4. **Sit** while the bus is in motion.
5. **Speak** only to those around them in **conversational (inside) voices** using **respectful words**.
6. **Communicate** any problems or conflicts **with the bus driver**.



St. Francis Xavier School: Kindergarten – 6th Dress Code
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Shirts

- * Solid color gold, hunter green, forest green or white
- * Shirts with Xavier logo or no logo preferred. If logo is present on shirt, it **MUST** be size of quarter or **less**, and preferably monochromatic. **NO** team logos (i.e. Hawkeyes, Cubs, etc.), numbers, names, or pictures are allowed.
- * Short or long-sleeved Polo shirts with fold down collar (i.e. polo shirt or turtleneck)
- * Only solid white, yellow, hunter green or forest green undershirts are allowed under uniform shirts (no logos, numbers, etc. on collar)
- * Shirts or blouses **must** be tucked in at **ALL** times

Fleece

- * St. Francis Xavier NEW logo green fleece
- * Only Xavier fleece are permitted to be worn inside the classroom
- * Fleece are available through *Just For You* in Dyersville

Sweaters

- * Solid color gold, white, hunter green or forest green long-sleeved sweater
- * Needs to be waist to hip length
- * Cannot have belts or hoods

Pants/Slacks

- * Solid color navy, tan or black dress pant/slack worn at ankle length
- * No wind pants, denim or "jean-type" material
- * No excessive bagginess, leggings (spandex) or stirrups

Shorts/Capris

- * Solid color navy, tan or black dress shorts/capris
- * **Shorts length to be no more than 4" above or below kneecap when standing**

Skirts/Skorts/Jumpers

- * Solid color navy, tan or black skirt, skort or jumper
- * **Length to be no more than 4" above or below kneecap when standing**
- * School uniform skirt or jumper acceptable

Socks/Tights/Shoes

- * **SOLID colored matching socks, navy, black or white required at all times (NO LOGOS/PATTERNS)**
- * Tights are solid white, navy or black
- * Neat tennis shoes or closed dress shoes that tie or Velcro over the top of the foot (i.e. Mary Jane style shoe) appropriate for classroom and recess (open toe/heel shoes are **NOT** allowed)
- * Students are required to have tennis shoes for Physical Education Class and they are to be left at school

Accessories and Hairstyles

- * Limited to tiny pierced earrings (**no hoops or dangles**), a ring, a wristwatch and a religious medal on a chain
- * No make-up
- * Hair must be well-groomed and clean at all times. No extreme hairstyles or unnatural colors are allowed.
- * Hair accessories limited to **plain** or **solid-colored** headbands (**NO logos or name brands allowed on them**) barrettes, or ponytail holders, and **small** hair pieces (**NO large flowers or bows**)

Out-of-Uniform Days

- * Never allowed to wear clothing that has drug, alcohol, tobacco, or sexual references
- * **NO** bare midriffs, spaghetti straps, halter tops, or tank tops
- * Dress code footwear (see above)

****If you have a question about an item of clothing or a concern, contact the school before sending your child in the particular piece of clothing.**

Dress Code Consequences: Students who come to school out of dress code will be sent to the office to change into the appropriate attire with clothing from the office. Regardless if the appropriate sizes are available, a note will be sent home to notify the parents of the inappropriate attire, so they can make the needed corrections. Additionally, if a student consistently comes to school out of dress code, the classroom teacher and/or principal will contact the parents to discuss the situation and any potential consequences. **Note:** The Principal will have the final decision on items pertaining to the Dress Code.