

**BTA Uniform Policy**  
**Grades K-8**  
**\*Revised: September 2022**

Purpose:

Blessed Trinity Academy has a mandatory school uniform policy. The policy reflects traditional Catholic principles, a commitment to modesty, and a learning environment free from distraction. The dress code contributes to a positive school image, respectful and disciplined conduct, and provides a level playing field free of judgment that may be a byproduct of fashion trends or socioeconomic factors. The dress code also takes safety into consideration and provides a method of quickly identifying individuals who may not have a valid reason to belong on school property.

General Guidelines:

Personal appearance that is outside of the guidelines set forth below is not permitted. Final approval/disapproval is at the discretion of the Principal. **Students are required to be in full uniform, beginning the first day of school.**

**Everyday Uniform**

	All	Girls
Pullovers and Sweaters <b>(Students must be in full uniform underneath the pullover)</b>	BTA long sleeved pullover in royal blue with crest. (only available through school office) Crew neck, v-neck, or pullover, button down uniform sweaters in white or navy blue.	
Shirts	Solid white, navy blue, light blue, or red polo shirts	
Pants/Shorts/Skirts	<b>Pants or Shorts:</b> in Tan or Navy Blue - it must be a twill/khaki-type fabric (such as Dockers) and loose-fitting. No sweat pants, no jersey knit material (including leggings), and no cargo style pants.	<b>Skirts and Jumpers:</b> Uniform plaid or solid navy blue, pleated skirts (no buckles). <u>They must be a polyester or polyester blend material.</u> No tight fitting or pencil skirts. No Polo skirts or jumpers. No shorter than 2" about knees.
Socks	Socks must be worn. Solid navy, black, or white socks. Minimal logo permitted.	Knee socks or nylon tights may be worn and must be white or navy blue.
Shoes	Students may wear tennis shoes in solid black, gray, or	Shoes cannot be open-toed and must not have a heel

	navy with minimal color trim or logo. Dress shoes such as Sperry, Mary Jane, or oxfords can also be worn with no prints, sparkles, sequins, etc.	higher than 1 inch. No boots, clogs, sandals, open toed shoes, crocs, or similar type shoes are not permitted.
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## Mass Uniform

	All	Girls	Boys
Pullovers and Sweaters	BTA long sleeved pullover in navy blue with crest. <b>(Students must be in full uniform underneath the pullover)</b>	Crew neck, v-neck, or button down uniform sweaters in white or navy blue.	
Shirts	Light blue or white button down <u>dress shirt</u> - no lace on collars or sleeves.  Shirts must be tucked in all day on Mass Days.		
Pants & Belts  <b>*Shorts can only be worn between April 15th and October 15th.</b>	<b><u>Pants or Shorts:</u></b> in Tan/Khaki or Navy Blue - it must be a twill/khaki-type fabric (such as Dockers). No sweat pants, no jersey knit material (including leggings), and no cargo style pants.  *Any student (in grades 2-8) who wears pants or shorts for Mass must wear a belt. The belt can be made of any kind of material and should be tan, black, or blue.	<b><u>Skirts and Jumpers:</u></b> Uniform plaid or solid navy blue pleated skirts (no buckles). <u>They must be a polyester or polyester/blend material.</u> No tight fitting or pencil skirts. No shorter than 2" about knees.	
Socks	Socks must be worn.	Knee socks or nylon	

	Solid navy, black, or white socks. Minimal logo permitted.	tights can be white or navy blue.	
Shoes	Students may wear tennis shoes in solid black, gray, or navy with minimal color trim or logo. Dress shoes such as Sperry, Mary Jane, or oxfords can also be worn with no prints, sparkles, sequins, etc.	Shoes cannot be open-toed and must not have a heel higher than 1 inch. No boots, clogs, sandals, open toed shoes, crocs, or similar type shoes are not permitted.	
Ties			Must be either red or uniform plaid

**Dress Down Days**

There will be days identified as Dress Down Days for purposes of fundraising, communicated through Parent Communication. Students are to follow the directions for the dress down days in the formal Parent Communication.

\*Modest attire is expected. Leggings may be worn if under a tunic length top, shorts, or skirt.

Prohibited items on Fundraiser Dress Down Days include, but are not limited to:

- Hats
- Ripped or torn jeans
- Short tops that show the bare midriff
- Deep V-neck tops
- Baggy pants that show undergarments
- See-through fabric
- Tank tops
- Spaghetti-strap tops
- Clothes with slogans or symbols that, in judgement of the school, are offensive, discriminatory, or inappropriate for a school environment
- Short-shorts
- Pajama tops & pajama bottoms

It is the responsibility of parents and/or guardians to assure that their children are dressed according to the uniform code. In all cases, the administration reserves the right to evaluate and correct an individual student's interpretation of the uniform policy and to determine and curtail unacceptable articles of dress, jewelry, and hairstyle. When a student is out of conformity with the code, the parent or guardian will be called to bring the proper clothing to school. If the parent or guardian cannot bring the uniform clothing, the school will issue the proper attire to the student from a general supply of uniforms, if available. Anything that may be determined as a distraction in class will be dealt with by the teachers and administration.

## Gym Class Uniform

Gym uniforms will be worn all day. The gym uniform is only available through Schoolbelles. This includes a heather-gray t-shirt/sweatshirt with the school logo and royal blue sweatpants and/or shorts with the school logo. Tennis shoes need to be worn on gym days.

## Swap Shop

There is a uniform exchange area near Door #5, Side C for those people looking at "trading" items. This is at no cost - bring your old items and grab new ones! Please be considerate and wash clothes before dropping them off.

## Uniform Resources

Schoolbelles is the official vendor for BTA uniforms. There is help available for those to whom this would be a hardship. They also have discounts throughout the summer.

- Schoolbelles information:  
4721 McKnight Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15237  
P: 412-630-8481  
F: 412-630-9402  
<http://www.schoolbelles.com>
- *While parents may choose to purchase similar basic items from other vendors, including pants, shorts, polos, and solid color skirts and/or jumpers, the colors and look of the styles must be consistent. For example, a light blue shirt is the*

*correct blue for uniforms, so students should not wear sky blue or turquoise shirts to school.*