

## **SAINT GREGORY SCHOOL DRESS CODE POLICY**

Good grooming sets the tone for the general atmosphere of the school. A student's style of dress should create a wholesome and healthy attitude towards learning.

It is your responsibility to see to it that your child comes to school dressed properly. If your child gets in trouble over the dress code, don't blame the school. You are made aware of the dress code at the time of registration. If you don't want your child to follow those guidelines, then you should find a new school for your child. We cannot expect the children to learn to follow rules if we break them ourselves. Neither you nor your children need to worry about how anyone else is dressed or what is being done about it. That is my concern.

If your child does not have clothes that fit the dress code and money is an issue for you, please contact the school office and I will work something out without ever revealing your name.

Although dress code appropriate clothing can be purchased almost anywhere, you can visit either frenchtoast.com or schoolbelles.com for plaids or other uniform style attire. Any plaid is permitted due to the fact that the available plaids keep changing, but our school plaid is generally blue with some grey or other colored stripes.

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**SAINT GREGORY SHIRTS:** All students (*grades K - 8*) are required to have an official Saint Gregory shirt. These are the royal blue shirts with the St. Gregory name or logo on them. Orders for these shirts are taken 2-3 times each year through the school or can be purchased at any time at the T-Shirt Loft (*located on Main Street in Zelenople*).

Students ***MUST*** wear these Saint Gregory shirts on ***Mass*** days and for all ***field trips***. On these occasions the St. Gregory Shirt must be visible and not hidden under a sweater or sweatshirt. A turtleneck or other long sleeve shirt may be worn UNDER the St. Gregory shirt for warmth.

Students in grades 7 & 8 must have a Saint Gregory ***Polo*** Shirt for the annual trip to Washington D.C. in the spring.

*Please put your child's initials or your family name in all St. Gregory clothing items so that they do not end up lost.*

**COLD WEATHER:** Please make sure that your child has a dress code appropriate sweater or sweatshirt to keep at school when the weather is cold. They will not be permitted to wear a jacket or hoodie (with the exception of a St. Gregory hoodie) in the building.

If your child, like most, prefers to wear a hoodie, then please be sure to purchase a St. Gregory hoodie. You can even order a St. Gregory *zipper* hoodie through the T-Shirt Loft.

**SWAP SHOP:** Please be sure to take advantage of our school swap shop. We have many, many gently worn items that have been donated back by other families. Some items may have a small price tag, but most items are FREE! There are pants, jumpers, shirts, and even shoes available. We only have room to store so much at a time, so don't be afraid to take as much as you can use.

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**PANTS:** Solid colored dress pants must be worn during school. This includes Docker's style khaki's, corduroys and dress slacks. Pants must fit properly. NO tight fitting stretch pants, blue jeans, excessively loose fitting pants, etc. Pants should not be so long that they are being walked on.

**SHORTS:** Solid colored *Dockers* style walking shorts are permitted. Shorts must be no shorter than 3" above the knee when standing. (No other shorts such as basketball or other gym shorts are permitted.)

**SKIRTS:** Solid colored or plaid skirts are permitted. Skirts must be no shorter than 3" above the knee when standing. The same applies to skorts, culottes, and jumpers.

**TOPS:** Solid colored or striped pullovers, button shirts, polo shirts, turtlenecks, vests, sweaters or sweatshirts (not hoodies) are permitted during school. St. Gregory shirts are always permitted. T-Shirts from school activities such as Challenge of Champions, Sporting Events, & D.A.R.E. are permitted.  
NO Under Armour, plaids, prints, graphics or writing on shirts  
NO tying shirts up or layering with skimpy shirts being visible

The cut of sleeveless garments must not expose undergarments or be otherwise immodest. Strapless garments are prohibited. Shoulder straps of permitted garments must be a minimum of the width of two fingers of the person wearing the garment.

Bare midriffs, immodestly low cut necklines, off the shoulder, or bare backs are prohibited. Garments must be of appropriate length, cut and/or fit to meet these requirements while sitting and/or bending.

**HOODIES:** Students are not permitted to wear hoodies in school except for the St. Gregory hoodies. This includes lunch time and indoor recess.

**SHOES:** Students should wear shoes that are comfortable and easy to move around in. Backless shoes, large platforms, skinny heels, flip flops, Crocs and Heely's are not permitted. No heel is allowed to be over 2" high.  
Students wearing winter boots to school must have shoes to change into.  
Tennis shoes are permitted any day but are required on gym days.

**PHYSICAL EDUCATION:** Students are permitted to wear solid dark blue or black sweat pants or regular dress code pants with a dress code appropriate shirt on gym days. Tennis shoes are required on gym days. No other gym pants are permitted. This includes, but is not limited to warm-up pants, wind pants, break away pants, basketball pants, etc.

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**DRESS CODE DEMERITS** must be signed by a parent/guardian and returned the next day.

- 1<sup>st</sup> Offense – Loss of "Dress Down" day for current month
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Offense – Lunch Detention
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Offense – Parent will be called to bring a change of clothes