

St. Paul's School for Boys
Upper School Dress Code
2022-2023

We practice respect for self and for others. Therefore, each student brings to school his willingness to participate in the community. Part of that participation includes setting a tone of respect through appearance: cleanliness, neatness and dress. Thus, everyone at St. Paul's School for Boys will meet certain appearance requirements. Each student's acceptance of these requirements is an indication of his understanding of the importance of respect for others and for himself.

Specific policies regarding dress are outlined below. Since the primary purpose of St. Paul's School for Boys is education, the dress code exists to create a sense of community that ensures students can concentrate on their academic growth in an environment that reflects professionalism and not trends in fashion. Faculty will uphold and enforce the dress code from the first bell until the end of the school day.

Dress Code

Shoes

- Students are to wear leather dress shoes.
- Sperry's and other loafers are allowed.
- Canvas and athletic shoes are not permitted.
- All shoes should be in good condition and should be worn appropriately.

Boots

- Students may wear boots with snow on the ground, or rain in the forecast. Boots must be tied and worn appropriately.

Socks

- Students are expected to wear socks.

Pants and Belt

- Students may wear khakis, corduroys or dress slacks that reach the ankle and fit appropriately and are cuffed or hemmed. Pants should not have elastic at the waist or end of pant leg. Pants should not be torn or ripped and should be in good condition.
- Students are expected to wear a belt each day.

Shirt and Tie

- Students must wear a collared button-down dress shirt, tucked in. Shirts should not have distracting patterns on them.
- Buttoned down shirts should be dress shirts with a collar. Shirts should not be casual, buttoned-down shirts.
- No bowling or Hawaiian style shirts.
- Students are expected to wear a tie each day.
- Their tie should be pulled up to the top button of their shirt.

Hair

- Hairstyles and hygiene should not cause a distraction from learning and teaching.
- Length
 - Off the eyebrow and out of the students face.
 - Any cultural or religions exemptions should go through the Dean of Students office.
- Style
 - Hair should be neat, clean, and non-distracting.

Facial Hair

- Students should be clean shaven.
- Beards or mustaches are not acceptable.

Sweaters and other layers:

- Appropriate in the building, classroom, and common spaces:
 - Sweater, formal vest, non-athletic ¼ zip, blazer, St. Paul's sweatshirt
 - Hoods must remain down while inside the building.
- Not permitted in the building, classroom, or common spaces:
 - Non-St. Paul's sweatshirts.

Outerwear

- Cold weather and foul weather jackets should be removed once in the building.

Tattoos

- Students need to cover all existing tattoos.

Special Dress

Chapel Dress

- On days of Upper School Chapel, and other special occasions, students will be asked to wear a blazer in addition to School Dress.
- Upper School Chapel will be each Wednesday. Students should wear Chapel Dress each Wednesday.
- Special occasions when Chapel Dress is needed will be communicated through the weekly newsletter, grade deans, or dean of students.

Dress Down Days

- During the year the school will allow students relaxed dress days. These days will be communicated through the weekly newsletter, grade deans, or dean of students.
- Relaxed dress days expectations:
 - Closed toed shoes – no sandals or other open toed shoes.
 - Shirts must have sleeves
 - Appropriate shorts or pants
 - No torn or ripped clothing
 - Any saying on clothing should welcome conversation, and not shut people out of our community.

The dress code excludes the following items or styles:

- All outerwear not listed above
- Jeans of any color, cargo pants, sweatpants, or shorts
- Flannel or Hawaiian shirts
- Long sleeve shirts under short sleeve button downs
- Athletic shoes, slippers, Moccasins, or open-toed or open-heeled footwear
- Military or camouflage attire
- Chains on a belt, a sleeve or shoulder of a jacket
- Headphones
- Hoods on in the building, headbands, hats, visors, or similar headwear
- Items as determined by the dean of students and upper school head