



## 2024-2025 Newman Catholic Elementary Schools Dress Code

Item	Description
<b>Rationale</b>	Supports standards and values set by the Diocese of La Crosse to encourage personal and family responsibility. Adherence to the policy is the responsibility of the student and family. Failure to adhere to this policy could result in a request for the parents to bring a dress code appropriate change of clothing. The administrator will determine if there will be consequences; (i.e. dress code violation form).
<b>General Guidelines</b>	Clothing should be neat, clean, not have visible rips, frays, holes, or un-hemmed edges. Modest styles. Undergarments may not be visible.
<b>Logo and Acceptable Clothing Guidelines</b>	Clothing may be any color, solids, stripes, plaids, overall prints i.e. geometric, floral, patterns are permitted <b>No</b> graphics, pictures, or words (except 3"x3" or smaller manufacturer's name/logo) are permitted on garment; No sheer or see-through fabrics allowed
<b>Pants/Slacks/Capris</b>	Khaki-style pants Khaki-colored or navy (no cargo pants) <b>No</b> blue jeans, other colored jeans are acceptable Leggings allowed <b>ONLY</b> if the covering top is <b>no shorter than 3" above the knee</b> <b>No</b> jeggings, pajama bottoms, yoga pants, sweatpants, spandex type pants, warm-up/workout pants Capris may only be worn in August, September, May, June
<b>Shorts/Skorts/Dresses/Skirts</b>	Modest styles of appropriate length-no shorter than 3" above the knee Shorts, leggings, or tights must be worn under dresses/skirts Appropriate length and style of shorts may be worn in August, September, May, June <b>No</b> exercise, spandex, biking or athletic shorts allowed
<b>Shirts/Sweaters/Sweatshirts</b>	Covers entire upper body torso during classroom/school activities Non-collared shirts are acceptable; must have modest necklines Sleeveless shirts/dresses only if shirt covers majority of collared shirt/chest/neck area Hooded sweatshirts can be worn only as outerwear (graphics must be appropriate) Manufacturer's trademark/emblem/logo must be smaller than 3"x3" and have only the manufacturer's name; no other words <b>No</b> tank tops, off the shoulder, exposed shoulder, spaghetti straps, midriff, or short-style shirts
<b>Shoes/Socks</b>	<b>Close-toed shoes</b> must be worn at all times in compliance with safety needs P.E. classes: socks and athletic-style shoes are required at all times Sandals with back straps are permitted for Mass or special days* Heels must be 1" or less <b>No</b> flip-flops, open-backed shoes without straps, slides, roller shoes, combat boots
<b>Hair/Makeup/Accessories</b>	Neat, clean, reasonable length, natural colors No dyed hair No piercings other than ears; no dangling/large earrings No makeup, no visible tattoos No accessories that draw attention
<b>Mass, Prayer Services and Dress-Up Days</b>	Dress to a higher standard than other school days... <b>Mass is special</b> <b>NO shorts</b>
<b>NCS Spirit Days (most Fridays)</b>	Blue jeans may <b>only be worn with NCS Spirit Wear</b> . If not wearing an NCS Spirit shirt, regular dress code must be followed.

\*Teachers may allow students to change out of pants into shorts on Mass days; sandals must be changed to wearing regular shoes. The school will contact families with special events, concerts, field trips, regarding a possible change in dress code for those events.