

School Uniforms

School uniforms are a part of the Catholic school tradition. They serve as an outward sign that we, at St. Mark Catholic School, work together to learn. We strive to have a uniform that is neat, comfortable for learning and is durable, yet modest and respectable.

- Determinations and decisions about what is acceptable and pertinent to school uniforms and the dress code will be made by the St. Mark Catholic School administration.
- School administration reserves the right to revise the dress code policy, as needed, and will provide notice to students and parents of any modifications.
- The determination and decisions of the school administration are final.
- Please mark all clothing items with your child's name and check the lost and found often. At the end of each trimester, unclaimed lost and found items will be donated to charity.

At all times, parents must support the school in upholding the uniform and dress code policies. This creates a positive and united partnership between the home and school. If a student is inappropriately dressed at any time, he or she will be asked to call home for an official uniform. The student will wait in the office until a change of clothes is brought in by a parent.

Purchasing Uniforms

- Flynn & O'Hara (www.flynnohara.com Code: NC067)
- Land's End (Store information coming soon)
- Promo Threads (PE shirts & pullovers only – www.promothreadsonline.com)
- Spirit Store (<https://lakenormangiftsandapparel.com/products/Saint-Mark-c156697141>)

Dress Code – General Guidelines

It is expected that each student will exhibit pride in his/her personal appearance by consistently displaying a respectable, modest, clean, and appropriate appearance.

- Proper attire is always expected of students while on school campus and during **all** school related activities.

Shirts

- Must be always tucked in.

Hair

- Hair must be clean, neatly trimmed, combed/brushed, and of natural color.
- **Boys** – Haircuts are to be kept to the top of the neck and above the collar, off the ears, and above the eyebrows. Boys must be clean shaven.
- **Girls** – Hair must be off the face. Bangs must be above the eyebrows.
- Unconventional cuts, colors, and styles are not acceptable.
- Distracting hair accessories are prohibited.
- No hats are permitted in the school building.

Any inappropriate hairstyle will be prohibited at the discretion of the administration. If a student's hair is out of compliance, the student has 1 week to get a haircut or show proof of a hair appointment.

Shoes

- Athletic/tennis shoes are required so that students can safely and comfortably walk and play.
- Shoes must be closed toe and have a back on them.
- Boots, light up shoes, clogs, Crocs, Ugg slip-ons, sandals or similar are **not** permitted – to include dress down days.
- Discretion of appropriate footwear will be determined by administration.

Belt

- Dark, solid-colored belts only.
- Preferred for grades 3-8

Jewelry

- Simple jewelry (i.e., small chains) is permitted.
- Only **one** bracelet is permitted.
- Girls are permitted to wear earrings, but no other piercings.
- Girls' earrings should be appropriate and safe for PE and recess.
- Earrings may be removed during PE and recess; however, the school/teacher is not responsible for securing removed earrings.
- Boys are not permitted to wear earrings or any other piercings.
- Discretion of appropriate jewelry will be determined by administration.

Outerwear

- Only pullovers with the St. Mark logo are permitted.
- During cold weather, students may wear outerwear to school that is not uniform approved; however, they will be asked to take it off while inside the building.

Uniform Skirts, Skorts, and Pants Length

- All skirts, skorts, shorts (male and female), and jumpers must touch the top of the knee.
- Pants must not rise above the ankle when standing.

GIRLS: Kindergarten – 5th Grade



- **Bottoms:** Navy uniform skort, shorts, or pants.
- **K – 4 Mass Uniform:** All students in grades K-4 must have a plaid jumper with a long or short sleeve white blouse for school Masses.
- **5th Mass Uniform:** Grade 5 may wear navy skorts.
- **Shirts:** Short or long sleeve hunter green golf shirt with gold St. Mark school logo.
- **Sweatshirts/fleece:** Hunter green with St. Mark Logo.
- **Pullovers:** Gray three-quarter zip sweatshirts with St. Mark logo.
- **Socks or tights:** solid color of tan, blue, green, or white (knee socks are permitted & preferred). No fluorescent or very bright colors are allowed. Socks must be above the ankle.
- **Leggings:** Navy leggings are permitted under jumpers and skorts. Leg warmers are not acceptable.
- **PE Shirts:** Green
- **All outerwear must have a St. Mark logo.**

BOYS: Kindergarten – 5th Grade

- **Bottoms:** Navy uniform shorts, or pants.
- **K – 5 Mass Uniform:** Navy pants
- **Shirts:** Short or long sleeve hunter green golf shirt with gold St. Mark school logo.
- **Sweatshirts/fleece:** Hunter green with St. Mark Logo.
- **Pullovers:** Gray three-quarter zip sweatshirts with St. Mark logo.
- **Socks:** Solid color of tan, blue, green, or white. No fluorescent or very bright colors are allowed. Socks must be above the ankle.
- **PE Shirts:** Green
- **All outerwear must have a St. Mark logo.**

GIRLS: 6th – 8th Grades



- **Bottoms:** Green plaid wrap around kilt (**required for Mass**), khaki shorts, or pants.
- **Shirts:** Short or long sleeve navy blue or white polo shirt with gold Saint Mark Catholic School logo.
- **Sweatshirts/Fleece:** Navy Blue St. Mark Catholic School sweatshirt/fleece may be worn over polo shirt. St. Mark logo is required.
- **Pullover:** Navy three-quarter zip sweatshirts – St. Mark logo required.
- **Socks or tights:** Solid color of tan, blue, green, or white are required. No fluorescent or bright colors are not permitted. Socks must be above the ankle.
- **Leggings:** Navy blue leggings are permitted to wear under the uniform kilt; however, leg warmers are not acceptable.
- **PE Shirts:** Navy
- **All outerwear must have a St. Mark logo.**

BOYS: Grades 6-8

- **Bottoms:** Khaki pants (**required for Mass**) or khaki shorts
- **Shirts:** Short or long sleeve navy blue polo shirt with gold Saint Mark Catholic School logo.
- **Sweatshirts/Fleece:** Navy Blue St. Mark Catholic School sweatshirt/fleece may be worn over polo shirt. St. Mark logo is required.
- **Pullover:** Navy three-quarter zip sweatshirts – St. Mark logo required.
- **Socks or tights:** Solid color of tan, blue, green, or white are required. No fluorescent or bright colors are not permitted. Socks must be above the ankle.
- **PE Shirts:** Navy
- **All outerwear must have a St. Mark logo.**

Used Uniforms

- Used uniform sales, sponsored by the PTO, are held during the summer, at the beginning of each school year, and end of each school year.
- Clean, gently used uniforms may be accepted for the uniform sale as needed.

Dress Down for Charity

On the first Friday of monthly dress down day, students may dress down for \$1 to support a local charity.

- Dress down attire must be comfortable and appropriate for learning, modest, and neat in appearance appropriately and within the standards of the St. Mark dress code.
- Dresses, skirts, and shorts must be longer than fingertip length.
- Leggings are not permitted for students in grades 5-8
- Shirt sleeves must cover the entire shoulder and the hem must fall below the waist.
- Pants and shorts must be free of holes, cuts, and tears.
- Hats, sunglasses, visors, etc. are not allowed unless a specific day is set aside.
- Any article, which advertises alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or displays violence, satanic symbols, or suggestive words, is prohibited.
- **If a student comes to school in clothing, which is considered inappropriate by the school staff, he/she will be asked to call a parent to bring something more acceptable.**

School Spirit Day

Each Friday (other than dress down day), students may show their school spirit by wearing **any St. Mark top with uniform bottoms.**

- St. Mark band, musical, and club t-shirts.
- St. Mark sports team jerseys and t-shirts.
- 8th Grade Shirts
- PE shirts
- Scouts and Brownies shirts.
- All tops must be free of stains, holes, cuts, and tears.