

The purpose of the Seton Catholic dress code is to embody the importance of a Catholic community as a place of work, study, and worship. Students should wear clothing and practice personal grooming that respects the dignity of themselves and others and promotes effective learning. Cleanliness, neatness, simplicity, and modesty are expected. The dress code is in effect on all school days, including exam days, and when students represent Seton Catholic at school-sponsored events on or off campus.

Clothing may not reference alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, drugs, anti-religious messages, sexual innuendo, or violent images. Clothing must fully cover undergarments and the midsection.

Standard School Days (Non-Liturgy)

Acceptable Attire

- Pants & slacks: free of holes and fraying; neatly hemmed.
- Yoga pants & leggings: free of holes or fraying; neatly hemmed.
- Shorts: golf or cargo shorts only; no shorter than mid-thigh; free of holes or fraying; neatly hemmed.
- Skirts & dresses: must cover front and back; loose fitting; touch mid-thigh; neatly hemmed.
- Shirts: must cover front and back; free of holes; hemmed collar and bottom. Sleeveless tops must include a permitted garment covering the shoulders.
- Shoes: closed toe and heel preferred for safety and functionality.

Unacceptable Attire

- Tops not allowed: undershirts, halter tops, tube tops, crop tops, spandex, tank tops, scrubs, cut-off edges, or tops exposing the midriff or shoulders.
- Bottoms not allowed: sweatpants, pajama/flannel pants, scrubs, cutoffs, running shorts, or biking shorts.
- Shoes not allowed: slippers, flip flops, slides, or heels exceeding 3 inches.

Accessories

- Acceptable: ear piercings and a single small stud nose piercing are the only visible piercings permitted. Fashion hairbands are acceptable, with the exception of bandanas.
- Not acceptable (may be confiscated): hats, ski headbands, hoods worn on the head, bandanas, sunglasses (inside the building), heavy chains, sharp-pointed jewelry, and studded belts.

Hair, Makeup, Piercings & Tattoos

- Hair color must be a natural hue. Dye, highlights, or coloring technique or design that results in patterns or multiple visible colors is not permitted.
- Distracting or unkempt hairstyles are not permitted; hair should not cover the eyes.
- Facial hair is permitted but must be neatly trimmed.
- Distracting makeup is not permitted. Tattooing or branding on the face or neck is not permitted. Ear gauges are not allowed.

Spirit Days

On designated Spirit Days, students may dress down according to the theme. Rules of respect and neatness still apply. Students are encouraged to wear blue and/or gold tops, sweatshirts, and appropriate pants, sweatpants, athletic shorts, or sports shorts. Slippers, sleepwear, blankets, and form-fitting bottoms without an appropriate covering top are not allowed.

Liturgy Days

Students should arrive already dressed for Liturgy and remain in Liturgy Dress for the entire day. Shorts, denim jeans, denim shorts/skirts, yoga pants, leggings (unless under a dress skirt), sweatshirts, t-shirts, and hoodies are not permitted on Liturgy Days. Liturgy Dress should reflect professional/business attire.

- Pants: dress pants only. Not allowed: shorts, denim jeans, denim shorts/skirts, or leggings (unless under a dress skirt).
- Tops: blouses, collared shirts, or sweaters. Sleeveless tops must include a permitted garment covering the shoulders. Skirts and dresses must be loose fitting, touch mid-thigh, and be neatly hemmed. Not allowed: sweatshirts, t-shirts, or hoodies.

Dress Code Violations & Consequences

All faculty, staff, and administration monitor compliance with the dress code. Students in violation may be required to change into compliant clothing. Consequences may include a warning, communication home, and/or detention. Multiple offenses may require a parent meeting and result in a formal dress code agreement. The administration is the final judge of student appearance questions not explicitly covered in these guidelines.