



## **Dress Code and Uniform Policy**

Beginning the fall of 2016, our St. Paul's school uniforms will have a new look. Students will no longer be allowed to wear the "old logo" uniform shirts and plaids. Our new logo can be found at Sports Connection, and our new logo and plaid can be found at Dennis.

### Philosophy of Dress Code:

A student's appearance has an impact on his/her attitude and behavior. Respect for the school community and for each other is manifested in a number of ways including personal appearance and grooming. As Christians, it is important to show respect for the learning environment as well as oneself. The dress code is designed to help students develop a sense of modesty and decorum. Clothing must be modest in appearance, neat, clean and free of holes, frays, and tears.

### Uniform Policy Statement:

The primary purpose of St. Paul's Uniform Policy is to ensure that the students of St. Paul's Lutheran School are neat, clean, well-groomed, and prepared to focus on faith, character, and academics. Uniform dress helps eliminate the distraction of competition and emphasis on dress or financial status. St. Paul's students are expected to be in uniform at all times, except on designated non-uniform days. It is the responsibility of the parents to see that their children are dressed in accordance with this code. Disregard for the uniform policy will result in disciplinary action.

### Uniform Compliance:

It is expected that the students will come to school in compliance with the school uniform policy. If a student is out of dress code, possible action taken may consist of a verbal reminder to the student, a phone call home, or a pre-owned uniform loaned to the student. Depending on the nature of the violation, the child may be issued a detention or sent home for a change of clothes. Further violations will be addressed per the subsequent steps of the discipline policy.

## **Approved Vendors:**

*Dennis Uniform Company, 714-637-8928; [www.dennisuniform.com](http://www.dennisuniform.com); All uniform items may be purchased at Dennis using the appropriate school code. Items with logos must be purchased at Dennis and Sports connection. Sports Connection sales occur over the summer months. PE clothes must be purchased through Sports Connection.*

*Sports Connection, 714-235-9591*

*Many uniform items may be purchased through Sports Connection. Items with logos must be purchased at Dennis and Sports Connection. Sports Connection sales occur over the summer months, at Meet & Greet, at Back-to-School Night, and through order forms located in the school's front office. PE clothes must be purchased through Sports Connection.*

*Other Vendors, (Target, Amazon, Walmart, etc.)*

You may purchase uniform bottoms from any vendor as long as they meet the following guidelines:

- Shorts, Pants and Skirts *must* be made out of twill or uniform material. No cargo pockets. Sweatpant, stretch or legging material is not allowed.

**Skirts, Dresses and Skorts:**

Skirts, dresses, and skorts may not be of an inappropriate length, must be appropriately sized, worn at the natural waistline, cannot be rolled, must have a hem, and may not have slits. Skirts, dresses, and skorts may not have buckles, belts, ties, or loops for fitting belts. The hemline of skirts, skorts, and dresses must reflect Christian values. If a girl chooses to wear a skirt or dress, she must wear navy blue or black bike shorts underneath that skirt. Dresses must be the type that can have the uniform shirt worn underneath.

**Pants and Shorts:**

Pants and shorts must be appropriately sized, worn at the natural waistline, cannot be rolled, cannot be excessively tight and must have a hem. Frayed or tattered shorts or pants are not permitted. Shorts must extend past fingertips when arms are held at side. Sweatpants may only be worn for P.E.

<b>Accessories</b>	<b>Royal Blue</b>	<b>Navy Blue</b>	<b>Gray</b>	<b>White</b>	<b>Black</b>	<b>Brown</b>	<b>Tan</b>	<b>Logo Optional</b>	<b>Logo Required</b>
Tights		X		X	X				
Sweaters		X		X					X
Sweatshirt	X	X	X	X					X
Belts (Optional, Plain)					X	X	X		

<b>Girls Uniform Options</b>	<b>Plaid</b>	<b>Dark Khaki</b>	<b>Royal Blue</b>	<b>Navy Blue</b>	<b>Gray</b>	<b>White</b>	<b>Logo Optional</b>	<b>Logo Required</b>
Shift – bike shorts must be worn underneath	X	X		X				
Jumper – bike shorts must be worn underneath	X	X		X				
Skirts – bike shorts must be worn underneath	X	X		X				
Skorts – standard or tennis	X	X		X				
Shorts		X		X				
Pants		X		X				
Shirt - short or long sleeves in oxford or polo style			X	X	X	X	X White	X Blues and Gray
Blouse – Peter Pan						X		
Blouse - Butterfly						X		

<b>Boys Uniform Options</b>	<b>Khaki</b>	<b>Royal Blue</b>	<b>Navy Blue</b>	<b>Gray</b>	<b>White</b>	<b>Logo Optional</b>	<b>Logo Required</b>
Shorts	X		X				
Pants	X		X				
Shirt – (Short or Long Sleeve, Oxford or Polo Style)		X	X	X	X	X White	X Blues & Gray

**Sweatshirts & Jackets:** Sweatshirts other than approved St. Paul’s logo sweatshirts may not be worn. This includes any “jacket” that consists of sweatshirt material. A zipper does not mean that the sweatshirt is a jacket. Jackets worn on campus do NOT need to be purchased through one of our vendors, although it is a nice option. No jacket may be worn in the classroom without special permission from the teacher.

### PE Uniform Apparel:

PE uniforms are not to be worn to school as regular uniform dress. Students must change into their PE uniform at the proper time before PE class. There is to be no writing, drawing, cutting, coloring, or altering in any way the PE uniform besides writing the student's name in the appropriate place. If this does happen, the student must purchase a new uniform.

### Scout Uniform Apparel:

Scouting apparel may be worn on meeting days. Students must be in full scouting apparel or scout top with school uniform slacks, shorts, skirt, or skort.

### Shirts:

Sleeveless tops and tank tops are permitted, but the straps must be wider than 3 fingers-width. When arms are raised above head, a bare midriff may not show. Overly tight fitting clothing, clothing with low-cut neck and back lines, and garments that reveal any portion of undergarments may not be worn. Long-sleeved shirts worn under uniform shirts must be royal blue, navy blue, or white and may not have a pattern. Uniform shirts *must* be worn under sweatshirts or jackets.

### Shoes and Socks:

Shoes with rubber soles are highly recommended and laces must always be tied. Socks and shoes must be worn at all times. On uniform days, only solid black, navy blue, grey, or white socks are permitted. Shoes or socks with camouflage, skulls, etc. may not be worn. Sandals, slippers, platforms, narrow or spike heels, shoes without back straps, shoes without soles, shoes with rollers and boots with heels are not permitted.

### Hosiery, Stockings, and Leggings:

Hosiery with patterns or seams and thigh-high stockings may not be worn. Girls in grades 5-8 may wear hosiery in a natural color without patterns or seams. Tights and leggings worn under uniform skirts, skorts, and dresses must be royal blue, navy blue, black, or white and may not have a pattern.

### Hair Styles:

Students' hair must remain a natural color. There is to be no dying, highlighting, bleaching, etc., of students' hair that alters it away from a natural hair color. Also, exaggerated or faddish hairstyles and colors are not allowed. Examples of would be shaved heads, ponytails (for boys) or Mohawks, dreadlocks, or spiked hair longer than one inch. Boys' hair must not reach past the ears on the sides, cover the eyes, or touch the collar. Hair colors, styles, and lengths that are determined to be distracting or inappropriate will result in consequences for the student at the discretion of the administration. If the problem is not resolved the student may be sent home and not allowed to return until the situation has been remedied.

### Hats:

Students are allowed to wear hats and visors outside as long as they follow the Philosophy of the St. Paul's Uniform Policy. Hats cannot be worn inside the classroom.

### Jewelry:

Necklaces as jewelry may be worn. Earrings that hang lower than the earlobe may not be worn. Jewelry may not be worn in any other body piercing.

### Make-Up:

Girls in 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade may wear a light application of foundation, blush, mascara (black or brown), and eye shadow (natural colors). Lip-gloss may also be worn. Eyeliner, lipstick, glitter, unnatural colors, and excessive make-up may not be worn. Make-up may not be brought to school or applied at school.

Fingernails:

Fingernail polish may be worn; however, extremes are not permitted (i.e. black fingernail polish, dark colors, neon colors, etc.). Students in grades K-5 are not allowed to wear fake fingernails to school. They are highly discouraged in grades 6-8.

Specific standards of dress that are **not** acceptable at St. Paul's School:

- Clothing with slogans, pictures or suggestive words that do not portray Christian or positive messages or images; clothing that promotes alcohol, tobacco, drugs or any illegal activity; skulls; non-Christian rock bands; unchristian lifestyle; other suggestive slogans and images.
- Chains of any kind attached or unattached to clothing or wallets.
- The attire of any gang; clothing that gives the impression of membership in any gang; gang colors, styles or trademarks.
- Military attire of any kind, including camouflage.
- Tattoos of any kind, made with ink of any kind.
- Spandex clothing as outerwear or see-through clothing.