

Dress Code

Uniform Dress Code Policy: It is the policy of St. Michael School that all students in Grades K-8 wear uniforms (optional for KR but no blue jeans). Uniforms allow students to focus their attention on the educational and spiritual aspects of school, by lessening the competition in clothing styles, the distraction of inappropriate clothes in the classroom, and the concern for safety. PARENTS ARE ASKED TO MONITOR THE DRESS OF YOUR STUDENTS BEFORE THEY LEAVE HOME. **IF AN ITEM IS IN QUESTION, DO NOT ALLOW YOUR STUDENT TO WEAR IT. PLEASE HELP US TO MAINTAIN PROPER SCHOOL DRESS HABITS.**

A chart listing clothing suppliers and specific clothing options is available from the school office. **Clothes must be fitted properly, not sagging or oversized. ONLY APPROVED ITEMS FROM EDUCATIONAL APPAREL, IZOD, CHAPS AND FRENCH TOAST ARE PERMITTED. Please check grid for approved number.**

It is recommended that all students have either a green or white polo shirt with the school's crest embroidered on it. School crest embroidery is available through Educational Apparel, Jaqua's, and House of Awards.

- Sweatshirts: Only embroidered St. Michael sweatshirts (ASH GRAY in color) may be worn. **NO HOODED SWEATSHIRTS ARE ALLOWED IN SCHOOL.**
- Lengths: **Skirts must be no more than 2" above the knee** as measured from a kneeling position. A similar length should be maintained on jumpers, shorts and skorts.
- Shirts/Tops: No exterior labels/logos on the outside of shirts/tops/pants, except for St. Michael crest. **Uniform shirts/tops must be tucked in at all times.** Button-down collars must remain buttoned; sleeves should be buttoned (not flopping open). **No long sleeved shirts under short-sleeved shirts. UNDERSHIRTS MUST BE PLAIN WHITE—NO WORDS OR GRAPHICS.**
- Shorts: May be worn year-round; however, students **will not be permitted** to remain indoors during recess due to lack of appropriate clothing.
- Girls: Jumpers K-6 only; Skirts 6-8 only.
- Shoes: Shoes must be in good condition. Laces must be tied at all times. Tennis shoes are permitted; dress shoes are recommended for mass day. No lighted shoes. No roller shoes. No platform shoes of any kind. Dress shoes must have no higher than a 1 ½" heel. All shoes must have an enclosed heel or ankle strap. **NO FLIP FLOPS. NO ROOTS OF ANY KIND MAY BE WORN DURING THE SCHOOL DAY.**
- Socks/Hosiery: Must be worn at all times. Socks/tights must be PLAIN navy blue, black, brown, khaki, or white. Girls may wear hose. **LEGGINGS in white, gray, navy or black may be worn. NO MULTI-COLORED SOCKS OR LEGGINGS.** No visible logos on socks.
- Head Coverings: Hats, scarves, flowers etc. are NOT permitted. Solid color headbands with no logos and not wider than two inches may be worn.
- Hair: Boys must be clean-shaven; boys' hair must not reach the top of the collar, and bangs must not fall below the top of the eyebrows. No fad-type haircuts or questionable/unusual coloring. Hair must be neat and clean.
- Belts: If worn, belts must be PLAIN black, brown, khaki, or navy blue.
- Make-up: Modest make-up is permitted in the 7th and 8th grades only – no glitter. For grades K – 5, nail polish must be clear or pale flesh tones—no glitter. More bold nail polish color is an earned privilege in grades 6 – 8. Nail color for these grades must be one plain color – NO BLACK, dark purple, navy blue or nail art.
- Jewelry: Girls: Ear piercing only. Only posts or small hoops are permitted. **NO dangling earrings.**
Boys: Earrings are not permitted at any time.

Bracelets limited to two per arm.

Tattoos: Tattoos may not be visible during school or school activities. This includes drawing, painting, or other body art.

Exemptions: The principal may determine necessary dress for out-of-school functions or special occasions. Uniforms for scouting are permitted on appropriate meeting days.

TEACHERS ARE EXPECTED TO ENFORCE THE STUDENT DRESS CODE AT ALL TIMES THROUGH REASONABLE OBSERVATION OF THEIR STUDENTS.

Out-of-Uniform Days: Dress-down days **will not** be scheduled on Mass days or days when special occasions require uniforms or "church clothes." When Out-of-Uniform Days are scheduled, dress must be modest and appropriate for our Christian environment. Students may choose to "dress up" on Out-of-Uniform Days. The following guidelines must be followed:

No Flip flops or backless shoes of any kind may be worn.

Socks **MUST** be worn.

No spaghetti straps or tank tops.

No cut offs and absolutely NO TORN CLOTHING.

All shorts/skirts/dresses must be proper dress code length.

Shirts must have modest necklines and proper length. **ALL MIDRIFTS MUST BE COVERED.**

No hooded sweatshirts may be worn.

If a student comes to school on an out-of-uniform day dressed inappropriately, a parent will be called to bring alternate clothing.

If there is ANY question as to whether or not something is acceptable, DO NOT WEAR IT.

Violations: The principal has final say on any questionable items of clothing. If a student is dressed inappropriately, not abiding by the above regulations, the teacher will have the child sent to the office and parents will be called. The child will return to class when proper clothing is brought to school.

Volunteers are strongly urged to comply with the code when working during school hours or going on field trips.

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ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL UNIFORM CLOTHING APPROVED OPTIONS/SUPPLIERS – Appendix B

Elder Beerman IZOD	Kohls CHAPS	Educational Apparel	French Toast	Clothing Description	Color Option							Sleeve Length	
			SMS Source Code QSSAFEP		Khaki	Navy Blue	White	Plaid	Oxford Blue	Ash Gray	Hunter Green	Long	Short
Boys #250 or #410	Boys #250 #410	✓	B-1005 G-1055	PANTS pleated front (boys and girls)	•	•							
Boys #268 or #419	Boys #250 #410 Girls #262 #414	✓	B-1006/B-1319 G-1273/G-1315	PANTS flat front (boys and girls)/extended waist	•	•							
		✓	B-1024 G-1062	SHORTS pleated front (boys and girls)	•	•							
		✓	B-1308 G-1303	SHORTS flat front (boys and girls)	•	•							
		✓	G-1549	SKORT (French Toast-only Navy) Educational Apparel – style #104-80/plaid		•		•					
		✓	N/A	JUMPER (K-6 grade only) style #194		•		•					
		✓	N/A	SKIRT (6-8 grade only) style #134		•		•					
		✓	B L/S-1017 B S/S-1020 G L/S-1033 G S/S-1038	BUTTON-DOWN OXFORD SHIRT (no blue in French Toast)			•		•			•	•
		✓	G L/S -1034 G S/S-1040	ROUNDED COLLAR BLOUSE			•					•	•
#101	#100	✓	B/G L/S-1009 B/G S/S-1012	POLO SHIRT			•				•	•	•
		✓	N/A	TURTLENECK (no mock style)			•					•	

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		✓	B-1029	V-NECK SWEATER VEST (French Toast-only Navy)		•	•						
		✓	N/A	V-NECK PULLOVER SWEATER		•	•					•	
		✓	G-1120	ROUNDED COLLAR CARDIGAN		•	•					•	
		✓	N/A	SWEATSHIRT SCHOOL CREST (breast pocket size – also available from Jaqua's and House of Awards)						•		•	
		✓	N/A	SWEATSHIRT PLAID BLOCK "M"						•		•	
		✓	N/A	ST. MICHAEL FLEECE w/school crest							•		

DUE TO VARIATIONS IN COLOR DYE and IN ORDER TO FOLLOW THE RULES, ARTICLES OF CLOTHING NEED TO BE OBTAINED FROM THE APPROVED SUPPLIERS!

B=Boy G=Girl L/S=Long Sleeves S/S=Short Sleeves

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SMS UNIFORM POLICY UPDATE

As you begin to shop for school uniforms over the summer months, below is some reminder information. Also attached are approved uniform item brochures from Educational Apparel, IZOD, CHAPS and French Toast that will help you with your purchases. As always, if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the school office.

Educational Apparel

- Educational Apparel is located at 3906 Brown Park Dr., Hilliard, Ohio 43026; phone 1-800-776-3034 and the website address is <http://www.educationalapparel.com/home.html>.
- The Educational Apparel team visits the school numerous times a year and for future planning, they will be on site at St. Michael on **October 5, 2016 and March 22, 2017**.
- When you purchase Educational Apparel gift certificates via our Shopping for Dollars Program, Educational Apparel donates 15% back to the school.
- Shipping costs for internet and/or phone orders are always \$5.00 per order no matter the amount of ordering.
- You can shop with them in various ways: when they are on location at St. Michael School, via the internet or phone or by visiting their warehouse at the address above. Their website is accessible via our school website under external links.
- When shopping with Educational Apparel, they will only bring the approved school uniform items to our location and only allow you to purchase/order approved items. This makes it much easier to adhere to the school's uniform policy. You can also return unused items with your original receipt and tags still attached when they are on site.

French Toast

- The French Toast name brand has been in the school uniform business for many years. It provides our school families with a more economical choice which some of our school families have asked for. Their phone number is 1-800-373-6248 and their website address is <http://www.frenchtoast.com>.
- Our school is enrolled in the Express Shopping Program which means that French Toast will give 5% of every order via internet or phone orders back to St. Michael School when you give them **our school source code QS5AFEP**.
- The Express Shopping Program also allows you to give your school's source code when ordering via the internet or phone and the same brochure attached is referenced so that you can only order the approved uniform items making it much easier to adhere to the school's uniform policy. **St. Michael School source code is QS5AFEP**.
- French Toast's name brand can be found in some local stores. However, these local vendors cannot control the items that get shipped to them. Therefore, some items received are NOT approved uniform items. Please shop with caution as you will be notified of all unapproved items.

Other Options

- Elder Beerman IZOD brand is a local supplier of approved boys pants and white shirts
- Kohl's CHAPS brand is a local supplier of boys approved pants and white shirts and girls pants.

THE APPROVED ITEMS ARE LISTED ON THE UNIFORM GRID – PLEASE CHECK NUMBER AND CODE BEFORE PURCHASING.

Used Uniform Sale

- As you participate in the Used Uniform Sales (spring and/or fall), keep in mind the school's uniform policy. Those working the Used Uniform Sale will do their best to return unapproved items to their respective owners before the sale is open to the school families.

The key is having parents, teachers and the administration all working together so that we can continue to be proud of our students as they represent St. Michael School at field trips, walking the hallways among school volunteers and in the community as they wear their school uniforms with pride!

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