

IHM-St. Casimir School Uniform Policy

The following dress code is based on the principle that there is a positive relationship between learning and appearance. Emphasis is placed on modesty, cleanliness, neatness, and common sense. Parental cooperation in proper dress will alleviate potential problems.

Pants

- Navy blue or khaki cotton or polyester blend (no corduroy).
- Must be modest, loose fitting and not have extra loops, pockets, patches or labels.

Shorts

- Khaki or navy shorts (or capris for girls) are allowed from the beginning of the school year through the end of the first week in October and again from May 1 until the end of the school year. Shorts are allowed on other dates at the discretion of the principal.
- They are to be modest, loose-fitting and are not to be more than 3" above the knee.

Skirts/Jumpers/Skorts

- Khaki or navy in color. They are to be modest, loose-fitting and are not to be more than 3" above the knee.
- Girls may wear leggings (tight to the ankle) with jumpers and skirts. Leggings must be to the ankle, and worn only with skirts and jumpers. Leggings are not allowed to be worn for P.E. or for ODC and never without a skirt over them. No designs, lace or patterns are allowed. Yoga pants are NOT a substitute.

Shirts

- Light blue, white, or navy in color. Navy blue shirts may not be worn with navy blue pants.
- Shirts may be short or long sleeve polo or oxford dress shirts with a dress collar, peter-pan collar or a turtleneck shirt.
- They must be modest and loose fitting, buttoned to the second button, and tucked in.
- All undershirts or camis must be tucked in.
- **Middle school only** - light yellow, long or short sleeve polo or oxford dress shirts with a collar. Grade 8 students who outgrow their mass shirt after December may begin to wear LCHS logo dress code shirts.

Belts

- Plain black or brown belts must be worn with pants or shorts if belt loops are present, except for grades K or 1.

Hair

- Hair must be well groomed, and out of the student's eyes. Boys are encouraged to have their hair off of their collar.
- No "extreme" (punk, spike, etc.) hairstyles. Dying hair unnatural colors is not permissible for school. It will be at the parents' expense to return the hair to its natural color.
- No noticeable hair extensions including feathers and wraps.

Shoes

- Shoes may not have more than a one and one half inch heel.
- Shoes may not light up.
- Mainly white, black, brown, gray, or navy athletic or dress shoes are allowed for all days. No high tops, no neon colors.
- All shoes need to be a solid shoe where the toe and heel are covered
- No boots, of any kind, may be worn in school.

Sweaters

- Navy or white pullover, button down sweater or vest. Navy blue blazers are permissible.

Sweatshirts

- Sweatshirts must be navy or gray with the IHM-St. Casimir logo on it, and may be purchased through the school. The sweatshirt must be worn with a polo shirt or turtleneck underneath. Hoodie sweatshirts may not be worn in class.
- **Middle school only** – may wear a navy or gray fleece with the school logo on it.

Jewelry & Make-up

- Only ear piercing is allowed. Only post earrings, no dangles. The only jewelry permitted is medical bracelets, watch, and a cross or Christian medal necklace.
- No nail polish is allowed.
- No visible tattoos.
- For middle school girls only - modest makeup, being defined as natural in appearance, not distracting or excessive.

Socks

- Socks need to be solid color navy blue, black, gray or white. Socks must be worn with shoes at all times and must be visible above the shoe. (See skirts and jumpers for leggings rules.)

Winter Apparel

- Students are to be dressed in weather appropriate outerwear. ie., warm coats, snowpants, hats, mittens, and boots for recess. Students will not play in the snow without the proper outerwear.

Hats and Coats

- Hats and coats and boots may not be worn in class.

In All Cases Undergarments are Not to be Visible

Mass Dress Code Restrictions

- Elementary requires navy pants, jumpers, skirts or skorts with a white dress shirt with the IHM-St. Casimir School logo.
- Middle school requires khaki pants or skirts with a navy blue dress shirt with the IHM-St. Casimir School logo.
- Leggings, knee socks, ankle socks or tights are to be worn with the jumpers, skorts or skirts.

Game Day Dress Code Restrictions

- Students must be in grades 5-8 and the entire team must participate.
- Students must wear khaki pants.
- Students must wear the team jersey with a white sleeved-shirt underneath.

Out of Dress Code

- All shirts and pants are to be modest and loose-fitting. All loose-fitting jeans should fit the same as the uniform dress pants. No yoga pants.
- Sleeveless shirts, tank tops and belly shirts are not permitted. The rule of your right thumb placed on the side of your neck and your four fingers placed at the base of the neck, the student's top cannot drop below the width of the hand.
- Clothing or personal items which promote or support alcohol, drugs, gangs, profanity, sexual conduct and violence will not be worn on school grounds or at any school-sponsored activity.
- No high tops, outdoor boots or fashion boots.

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- If you question something that your student may wear on out of dress code, it is probably best that they do not wear it. It is better to be safe than to have to bring your student another set of clothing.

Uniform Purchasing

Pants, jumpers, pleated skirts, shorts and skorts in navy blue or khaki, light blue, navy blue and white polo shirt, white turtlenecks and navy or white sweaters may be purchased at your choice of store. Sweatshirts need to be purchased through the school, at the spirit wear sale.

The sources for the IHM-St. Casimir School logo dress shirts are Educational Outfitters and Mrs. Fanny Wenzel.

Physical Education Class Policy

Students in grades K-5 must wear dress code clothes appropriate for moving (modesty shorts under skirts) and athletic shoes. Students in grades 6-8 must change into PE clothes: A loose-fitting round necked, tee-shirt, worn with either shorts or sweatpants and athletic shoes. Shorts must follow dress code length. No yoga pants. No writing is to be found on the seat of any pants.

Uniform Infractions

- Students begin each quarter with no uniform infractions.
- The first uniform infraction notice will be sent home by the office the day of the infraction and must be signed by a parent and returned the next day.
- In all cases, the administration reserves the right for final determination concerning proper student attire. Students out of uniform may receive **detentions**.

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