

St. Dominic School 2010-2011

UNIFORM AND PERSONAL APPEARANCE CODE FOR ALL STUDENTS

The purpose of the uniform is threefold:

- It helps students feel they belong to the school community
- It is a form of discipline which lessens the distraction caused by dress
- It is economically and emotionally beneficial to the family

GIRLS' UNIFORM

BLOUSE (grades Pre-K -5)	- plain white round-collared short sleeved
BLOUSE (grades 6-7)	- official St. Dominic white oxford cloth short sleeved, logo on pocket
JUMPER	- uniform plaid (green/navy/white) (grades Pre-K- 3) *Jumper must be 1" above the knee or longer.
SKIRT	- uniform plaid (green/navy/white) (grades 4-7) *Skirt must be 1" above the knee or longer.
SOCKS	- solid white knee or crew socks (<u>no "footies", no tennis socks</u>) (Top of sock must not be lower than three (3) inches above the top of the shoe.)
SHOES	- navy blue leather tie shoes (Navy leather tennis shoes may be worn, but must be completely navy blue including the rim and soles.) *Pre-K, Kindergarten and 1st grade students may wear navy blue leather buckle
or	
	Velcro shoes.
SWEATSHIRT	- official St. Dominic sweatshirt (plain or hooded pullover)
SWEATER	- dark green cardigan or pullover
JACKET	- official dark green windbreaker jacket or fleece jacket
SHORTS	- uniform plaid walking length (Shorts are optional and all girls must have a jumper or skirt for Mass Thursdays.)
HAIR ACCESSORIES	- dark green, navy or white ribbons; green, navy, white, gold or silver barrettes. - No LARGE bows or distracting lengths of ribbon are to be worn.

BOYS' UNIFORM

SHIRT (grades Pre-K - 5)	- official St. Dominic white knit polo shirt with logo
SHIRT (grades 6-7)	- official St. Dominic white oxford cloth short sleeved, with logo on pocket
PANTS	- navy blue School Time shorts or long pants
BELT	- black or navy blue
SOCKS	- plain white <u>crew</u> socks (<u>no "footies", no tennis socks, no stripes</u>) (Top of sock must not be lower than three (3) inches above the top of the shoe.)
SHOES	- solid black tie shoes ** - low quarter black leather tennis shoes are permitted *Pre-K, Kindergarten and 1st grade students may wear black tennis shoes with Velcro closure.
SWEATSHIRT	- official St. Dominic sweatshirt (plain or hooded pullover)
JACKET	- official dark green windbreaker jacket or fleece jacket

** Please note that tennis shoes must be SOLID BLACK, no stripes or other graphic designs of any kind. Shoes must be LOW QUARTER. (**HIGH TOP AND 3/4 HIGH TOP ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE.**)

Please do not put us in the position of having to ask you to purchase another pair of shoes if the shoes do not meet these requirements.

SPECIAL CASES

In special cases and emergencies, when a student must be out of uniform, **he/she must have a note from a parent stating the reason.** Students not presenting a note will be issued a demerit.

Because the responsibility for seeing that an elementary student is properly dressed belongs to the parent, cooperation between the home and school is essential in the matter of uniform. It is most important because when children wear the proper uniform, teachers are able to spend their time in instruction, not in uniform inspection. This benefits all involved.

COLD WEATHER

There are no restrictions on the type of heavy jacket or coat to be worn over the St. Dominic sweatshirt or jacket. However, students are reminded that in mild weather, when only one over-garment is needed, only the St. Dominic

sweatshirt, sweater or jacket should be worn. Also, during **extremely cold weather** (temperature in the 20's – 30's), the girls may wear **solid white tights/stockings** or **solid navy sweats** under their skirts and white turtle neck shirts under their blouses.

P. E. UNIFORMS FOR ALL GRADES

GIRLS

- (Pre-K – 3rd grade) official white St. Dominic school blouse and official St. Dominic P.E. shorts or uniform plaid shorts
- (4th – 7th grade) official St. Dominic P. E. shirt and official St. Dominic green gym shorts
- uniform shoes - If the student's school uniform shoes are not tennis shoes, the student must have **WHITE** tennis shoes. **(The gray and various colored shoes as well as the florescent shoestrings are not acceptable and will not be tolerated.)**

BOYS

- (Pre-K – 3rd grade) official St. Dominic white polo shirt and official St. Dominic P.E. shorts or St. Dominic uniform shorts
- (4th – 7th grade) official St. Dominic P. E. shirt and official St. Dominic green gym shorts
- uniform shoes - If the student's school uniform shoes are not tennis shoes, the student must have **WHITE** tennis shoes. **(The gray and various colored shoes as well as the florescent shoestrings are not acceptable and will not be tolerated.)**

**** Please note that the correct tennis shoes, either the solid black for boys, solid blue for girls, or the solid white tennis shoes must be worn for P. E. If you purchase tennis shoes for your child in July or August, please plan ahead! Colorful tennis shoes (i.e. the popular running shoes) are not allowed and will be considered out of uniform. Please be sure tennis shoes you purchase are the proper ones if your child intends to use them for school.**

Students in grades PRE-K THROUGH 3RD may wear their P. E. shoes to school ON THEIR SCHEDULED P. E. DAY. Students in 4th through 7th grade are to bring their tennis shoes on scheduled P. E. days if their regular school shoes are not tennis shoes.

Middle Grade Students who bring shoes may want to have a gym bag.

During the cooler months, boys in Pre-K - 2 are permitted to wear their long pants for P. E. class. Boys in grades 3-7 must wear their P. E. shorts under their navy pants or must bring the P. E. shorts with them to change before and after class.

HAIR STYLES

When school begins and THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL YEAR, student hair styles should be suitable for the classroom. Boys' hair must not touch the ears, eyebrows, or shirt collar. There should be no "wedge cuts" or shaving of the head. Hair should be no shorter than a #2 buzz cut. There should be no extreme differences in length, including shaved areas near the ears for boys and girls. The use of substances to alter the color of the student's hair is not acceptable. This includes "highlighting." Hair color should be the student's God-given natural color.

CLEANLINESS

Students should be clean and properly dressed with their hair neatly combed. Students should clean their uniforms, including sweatshirts (especially sleeve cuffs) and shoes (polish), on a regular basis.

PROPERLY FITTED UNIFORMS

All uniforms (including P. E. shirts and shorts) are to be properly fitted. Students wearing oversized shirts/blouses will be sent home to change into properly fitted uniforms. Blouses and shirts are to be tucked in the student's skirt or pants. T-shirts worn under the other uniform shirts must be the official St. Dominic T-shirt or a solid white T-shirt.

MAKE-UP AND JEWELRY

Make-up, lipstick, fingernail polish and superfluous jewelry will not be allowed. Girls may wear small earrings (only one per ear in the ear lobe) and a ring (one per hand.) Boys may not wear earrings. Boys and girls may wear a watch, one

small ring per hand, and a chain with a cross or medal. Watches are to be small, and if a watch makes a beeping sound during class, the student may be asked to remove it.