

THE DRESS CODE *(Revised on June 10, 2015)*

Our school uniform is a source of pride and unity among St. John Central School students. Uniforms are required every day for grades K-8, unless otherwise specified. Hopefully, the following will simplify the expectations for our dress code for this school year:

- The uniform colors should copy the shades of the American flag: (true) red, white, and navy blue. In the past few years, there have been too many shades of red (such as maroon), white (such as cream and off-white), and blue (such as light, royal, and sky) that contradicted uniformity in colors. Therefore, light blue is no longer considered an acceptable shade of blue. Again, the colors of our flag will dictate our uniform blouse and shirt colors to eliminate any confusion.
- Non-uniform passes are not permitted on School Mass Days. Shorts are permitted on School Mass Days, but long pants are preferred.
- Hoodies/coats are not to be worn in the classroom. Likewise, head and neck gear are only worn when entering and leaving the building. (This also includes “St. John” clothing.)
- St. John spirit or athletic wear is permitted and considered uniform clothing. This means that any authentic “acceptable” clothing with the St. John Central School logo or with *St. John Braves* is OK.
- Shorter –length clothing should be no more than 3” above the knee.
- Socks must be worn with shoes; however, socks are not required when sandals are worn.
- Please respect the uniform policy at home and we will do the same here at school. *Thank you!*

General Guidelines for BOYS & GIRLS

Shirts/Blouses	Blouses, shirts, T-shirts, sweatshirts, turtlenecks, and sweaters are permitted in solid “flag colors” AND may be long or short sleeves. There is to be no writing, stripes, or images on any apparel with the exception of a small logo at the corner or back (such as Under Armour). All should be long enough to cover the midriff. If skin is showing when the arms are raised, then the clothing is too short.
Pants	Pants need to be navy blue or khaki in a solid color--no jeans.
Shorts/Skorts/Capris	These need to be navy blue or khaki and are permitted in May through October only
Shoes & Sandals	Either dress or tennis shoes may be worn. Sandals with a back strap are OK from May through October; flip flops are unacceptable. No heels.

Specific Guidelines for GIRLS

Dresses/Skirts/Jumpers	Flag colors or khaki, solid color (no more than 3” above knee)
Leggings & Tights	Leggings and tights are NOT to be worn unless WITH a skirt or dress length accessory that is no more than 3” above the knee. These need to be navy blue or white; hosiery needs to be skin tone in color.

Non-Uniform Days	Parental discretion is advised for non-uniform days. Some examples of unacceptable clothing include frayed or torn clothing AND T-shirts or sweatshirts featuring alcohol, tobacco, or unacceptable language.
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NOT PERMITTED AT ANY TIME

- Clothing that is frayed, suggestive, or revealing (i.e., low cut blouses, showing skin at midriff, and/or clothing that is too tight...yoga pants!)
- Visible underwear or undergarments
- Tank tops or sleeveless tops; spaghetti straps
- Pierced body parts (other than ears for girls)
- Excessive make-up or jewelry for elementary school students

Gym Clothes

Students may wear T-shirts and gym pants or shorts of an acceptable length.

SPECIAL NOTE:

With the discontinuation of the light blue color, a special concession can be made for this school year. Parents/guardians may apply a “St. John Central School” or “St. John Braves” spirit wear logo or monogram to already purchased light blue shirts, and these will be acceptable. Please note that this offer DOES NOT APPLY to different color or styles of shirts. (This is a one-year deal.)

Parents, teachers, and staff will work together to enforce the dress code.