

# BEATITUDES OF OUR LORD SCHOOL

## UNIFORM POLICY 2017-2018

Beatitudes School requires that all students wear appropriate attire as outlined below. The uniform policy is specific and not subject to personal interpretation. All decisions governing the style, color, and appropriateness of the student uniform or other attire is made by the school administration only.

Visitors to any Catholic school notice that students are neatly and uniformly dressed. The requirement of wearing uniforms is intended to enhance the educational environment. The Catholic community of Beatitudes of Our Lord School is committed to developing in our youth a strong sense of Catholic identity and community. The traditional uniform is a strong symbol of our Catholic heritage and Catholic image, and it promotes school pride both at and away from school. With our uniform and dress code, we strive to promote attitudes of moderation, modesty, neatness, cleanliness, and good taste.

**It is the responsibility of parents** to see that their children adhere and support all regulations regarding dress code. Our school's dress code is clearly defined. Your cooperation and support in this matter is very much appreciated.

Issues relating to dress or appearance of a student that are not specifically mentioned in this handbook, but are inconsistent with the school's regulations, may be deemed unacceptable at the discretion of the principal. The school reserves the right at all times to determine whether a student is appropriately dressed and groomed. The principal reserves the right to request any student to change attire, to regulate against certain fashions, and to confiscate any items when it is deemed necessary. Parents may be required to bring an appropriate change of clothes to school if a student is inappropriately dressed. Students who repeatedly violate the dress code are subject to disciplinary action.

**Students with Uniform Violations and Infractions** will be required to go to the school office and call home to have the proper uniform article brought in. If the article cannot be brought in, then the student will be sent to class and will receive a uniform violation notice for the infraction. Three infractions will result in detention, the 4th occurrence will result in a parent-administrator conference and the 5th will result in suspension. (Cumulative infractions are per trimester). Infractions beyond the 5th infraction will result in administrative probation and possible expulsion for deliberate disobedience.

A neat appearance and overall cleanliness help promote a healthy attitude and positive self-image. The school's policy regarding student dress and grooming emphasizes good taste, cleanliness, simplicity, and modesty. Uniforms must fit properly, be proper length, be kept clean, and maintained in good condition.

**Hair** must be neat and tidy at all times and must be worn away from the eyes. It must not be a cause of distraction to other students. No "tails," "lines," extreme or fad hairstyles, shaved, spiked styles, or coloring of hair are allowed. During physical education class and CYO athletic events, girls must wear their hair tied back. Boys' hair must be short enough not to touch the collar of their uniform shirt, cover the ears or the eyes. No bangs or spikes for boys. Where applicable, boy's faces must be clean-shaven. Sideburns must end at the middle of the ear.

**Hair Accessories** (bows & headbands) may be royal or navy blue, white or black.

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**Jewelry** is not allowed. This is for student safety and security reasons, jewelry. Jewelry will be confiscated and held by the office. Neck chains, rings, bracelets, ID tags (except medical), strings, or other similar items may not be worn. Girls may wear one pair of earrings (one on each ear lobe) and use only "post" earrings or other small studs that hug the ear lobe closely. Other styles that are possible safety hazards are not allowed. Boys may not wear earrings. Visible body piercing and tattoos are unacceptable. Lifting or removing clothing for the purpose of exposing a piercing or tattoo may also be considered a violation of this policy.

**Make-up** - No make-up of any kind is allowed in school or at any school-related events, on or off the premises; only clear non-glitter lip balm is permitted. No long nails, false nails, or colored nail polishes are allowed. Only clear nail polish is permitted. Eyebrows should remain natural.

**Perfumes** do not represent a student need. Due to the number of people suffering from allergies aggravated by odors, no perfumes, colognes, or strongly scented toiletries are permitted. Offenders may be sent home to shower before returning to school. Students may wear unscented antiperspirant.

**Pants/Shorts** must be uniform pants/walking shorts. No low waist pants. No cargo pants/shorts.

**Skirts/Jumpers** must cover the middle of the knees.

**Shirts** must be tucked in at all times.

**Alternative shirts** such as a student council, decathlon, mock trial, sports teams, or previous special event t-shirts may only be worn on days specifically designated by the school administration.

**Shoes** must be **95% solid** black, white, or dark navy blue. Stripes or Nike style logos must be black, white, or navy blue only. No other colors are authorized. Shoes must be secured with Velcro or laces in the front of the shoe. No slip-ons. No patterned shoes, i.e. checkerboard or similar. No shoes with wheels, blinking lights, sounds, etc.

**Socks** must be **crew style**, extending at least 2" above the top of the shoe and can only be white, black, or navy blue. (Elite Socks - only white or black may be worn and back must be white, black, or navy blue).

**Belts** black/brown with plain buckle (no design) must be worn with all pants/shorts with belt loops worn by boys and girls in grades 3-8. (**No belt required for grades TK-K-1-2**)

**Outerwear** – Only approved Beatitudes jackets/sweatshirts/sweaters may be worn at school. Outerwear **MUST HAVE** a Beatitudes logo. No other jackets/sweatshirts/sweaters/windbreakers, etc. may be worn.

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### **GIRLS**

Plaid skirt/skorts/jumpers or khaki skirts/pants/walking shorts  
Royal blue polo shirts  
Black/brown belts with plain buckle (no belt required for grades TK-K-1-2)  
Black/white/navy blue shoe  
Black/white/navy blue crew sock or tights – no leggings

### **GIRLS MASS UNIFORM**

Plaid or Khaki skirt/skort – no shorts  
White button down short or long sleeve collared shirt – no polos  
Royal blue vest  
Black/white/navy blue shoe  
Black/white/navy blue crew sock or tights – no leggings

### **BOYS**

Khaki pants/walking shorts  
Royal blue polos  
Black/brown belts with plain buckle (no belt required for grades TK-K-1-2)  
Black/white/navy blue shoe  
Black/white/navy blue crew sock

### **BOYS MASS UNIFORM**

Khaki pant – no shorts  
White button down short or long sleeve collared shirt – no polos  
Royal blue vest  
Tie (available soon)  
Black/brown belts with plain buckle (no belt required for grades TK-K-1-2)  
Black/white/navy blue shoe  
Black/white/navy blue crew sock

### **PE UNIFORM TK-8**

Students must wear the designated P.E. uniform, only.  
P.E. shirts must be solid royal and must have school logo. (No spirit, team/club shirts, etc.)  
P.E. pants must be solid royal gym shorts or sweatpants. Shorts must be appropriate length.  
P.E. sweatshirt must have a school logo.  
P.E. shoes/socks may be any color.

### **FREE DRESS TK-8**

Free dress is a privilege provided by the school when approved by the principal. Students will be instructed as to what they may wear for particular Free Dress days. No hats or hoodies unless specifically stated. All other school rules apply including shoes. Clothing worn at school or at any school related event must be modest and in good taste. **Any clothing that is too short, tight (no skinny jeans/leggings), or low-cut is not to be worn including tank tops, bare midriffs, halter-tops, un-hemmed shorts, clothing suggestive of gang style, and anything else that is in any way not appropriate for school.**