

## **UNIFORMS**

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Students in Grades Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup>, shall observe a uniform dress code with which they must comply at all times unless special permission has been granted by the school administration for a substitute. On the days when Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, Brownies or St. Gerald Band members have a function or meeting during or immediately after school, they may replace the school uniform with their Scout or Band uniform.

The school uniform can be purchased at SchoolBelles - 7763 S. Harlem, Bridgeview, IL 60455, (708) 598-8008 [www.schoolbelles.com](http://www.schoolbelles.com).

**When a student is in violation of the dress code (regular uniform day or gym day) the teacher will send a BEHAVIOR NOTICE which will explain the violation**

**Uniforms for PK4** – Since November 1, 2016, the St. Gerald gym uniform has been the expected uniform on all days for PK4 students except on designated out of uniform days.

**HAIR:** Hair should be clean, well groomed have a conventional style ( EXAMPLE: NO SPIKES, LINES, TAILS, CUT INS, FADES, WILD PERMS, POMPADOURS, WILD COLORING , BLEACHING OR MULLETS , etc...). Hair coloring or highlighting which enhances the natural color of hair is also not permitted. Any student violating this policy will have one week to restore his/her hair to comply with the code. If the hair is not restored to the code, the student may not be permitted to return to school until his/her hair is styled appropriately. For boys; hair should not hang on or be over the boys' ears or shirt collars. Bangs for both girls and boys should be cut to the middle of the forehead and not hang in the eyes. Hair violations will be determined by the teachers or administration. Hats/hoods/scarves are not to be worn in the building at any time.

**SHOES (ALL STUDENTS):** Appropriate school dress shoes are the regular school uniform footwear and should be **black, (no gray), brown or navy blue**. NO GYM SHOES WITH REGULAR SCHOOL UNIFORM. No FAD shoe styles are acceptable such as shoes with roller wheels, canvas shoes or canvas topped shoes, high heels, light-ups, very thick soles, slides, moccasins, clogs, slippers or any backless shoes.

**On student gym days, gym shoes may be worn. NEW POLICY JUNE 2017: Regarding gym shoes on gym uniform days: Administration and faculty have agreed that the color restriction on gym shoes is now lifted. Additionally, high top gym shoes are now allowable provided the laces are completely up to the top of shoe and tied. The restriction against light up/flashing shoes is still in place.**

**White, navy , or black socks must always be worn and socks must COVER the ankles**

**The homeroom teacher or Principal's judgment is the deciding factor if questions arise.**

### **GIRLS UNIFORMS -KINDERGARTEN THROUGH 8**

**Kindergarten through 4:** Plaid jumper (two styles available) with short or long sleeve blouse, round collar

**Grades 5 through 8:** Plaid skirt or skort (length should reach top of the knee) with royal blue monogrammed polo shirt, short or long sleeve (Older white girls polo is NO LONGER ACCEPTABLE)

Navy blue dress pants and royal blue shirt or long sleeved monogrammed polo (grades 5-8) or uniform blouse (Grades K-4 only) may be worn only during the period from November 1st through March 30th. If wearing the uniform blouse, it should be tucked in.

Navy blue walking shorts and royal blue monogrammed polo (grades 5 through 8) or uniform blouse with navy blue walking shorts (grades K - 4) may be worn only during the months of August, September, May and June unless extended by the administration. Shorts are only to be worn during the months of AUGUST, SEPTEMBER, MAY AND JUNE. This rule is for the ***daily uniform days, gym days and Spirit Wear days.***

Exceptions are made by school Administration only and announced in advance.

If wearing the uniform blouse, it should be tucked into pants/shorts.

*Optional additions to daily uniform:* navy blue cardigan, St. Gerald royal blue sweatshirt or fleece (from School Bells),  
or St. Gerald **navy blue gym** sweatshirt may be worn over the student's polo for warmth.

**New for 2018/2019**

**\*\* Additional information: School sport sweatshirts and spirit wear sweatshirts are *not* to be worn with the daily uniform or gym uniform; they are only to be worn on Spirit Days. Spirit wear days are announced by the administration.**

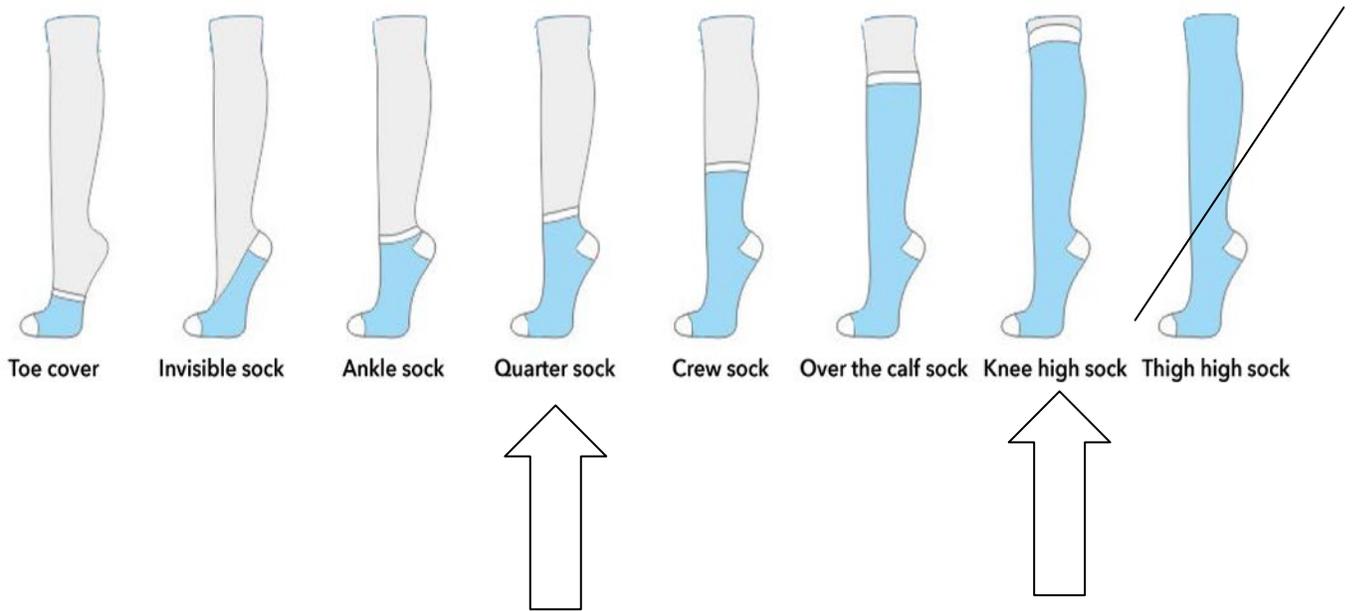
**\*\*HOODIE** type sweatshirts are never to be with daily school or gym uniform

**Exception** is grade 8 with their class hoodies and on SPIRIT WEAR DAYS, out of uniform days and field trip days when announced by school administration. (This change is in response to the selling of Spirit Wear by a school organization).

Only white undergarments are to be worn under the polos/blouses

**White, navy blue or black socks** must be worn at all times. Socks should be ankle/crew sock to knee high. Crew/ankle socks must cover the ankle. *Refer to guide below.*

No patterned socks or tights or leggings may be worn with the daily uniform or gym uniform. They must be **solid** in color and texture. Small, manufacturer design logos on the stocking such as ADIDAS, NIKE, MK, FUTURO, etc., are allowed, as long as the socks are solid **navy blue, black or white in color.**





Make-up: No make-up of any kind is permitted including but not limited to; eye liner, lip color and eyebrow enhancements.

Nail Polish: Only clear nail polish may be worn.

Jewelry: No jewelry, except for religious items or **small** earrings, may be worn with the regular school or gym uniform. Girls may have single pierced **ear lobes only**. No tattoos, temporary or permanent, are allowed for any student.

Hair decorations and religious jewelry should **be appropriate in size for the student.....**

CLARIFICATION: Head bands and hair bows should sit flat to the front and back of the head not above the crown of the head. (See pictures for examples) Hair ornaments and headbands must be **appropriate in size** for the student **AND BE NAVY BLUE, WHITE, BLACK OR UNIFORM PLAID.**

**EXAMPLES OF STYLES NOT ALLOWED**



**STYLES THAT ARE MORE UNIFORM COMPLIANT (NOT COLOR)**



Only headbands that are **navy blue, white, black or uniform plaid** can be worn, and they must be worn flat on the head.

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### **BOYS UNIFORMS –KINDERGARTEN through 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE**

Navy blue dress pants and tan knit, short or long sleeve, shirt with monogram are to be worn. **Shirts must be tucked into pants.**

Only **white** undershirts may be worn under the uniform shirt.

A navy blue cardigan, St. Gerald royal blue sweatshirt or fleece (purchased at School Bells) or St. Gerald **Navy blue gym** sweatshirt may be worn over the students' polo for warmth.

Navy blue walking shorts may be worn only during the months of August, September, May, and June unless extended by the administration. Cargo shorts and cargo pants are not allowed.

This rule is for the ***daily uniform days, gym days and Spirit Wear days.***

***Exceptions are made by school Administration only and announced in advance.***

**White, navy blue or black socks** must be worn at all times. Socks should be ankle/crew sock to knee high. Crew/ankle socks must cover the ankle. ***Refer to guide above if there are questions.***

No patterned socks can be worn with the daily uniform or gym uniform. They must be **solid** in color and texture. Small, manufacturer design logos on the stocking such as ADIDAS, NIKE, MK, FUTURO, etc., are allowed, as long as the socks are solid **navy blue, black or white in color.**

Boys- No pierced ears or earrings allowed. No jewelry, except for religious items. No tattoos, temporary or permanent, are allowed for **ANY** student. Jewelry must be appropriate in size for the child's age.

**When a student is in violation of the dress code (regular uniform day or gym day) the teacher will send a BEHAVIOR NOTICE which will explain the violation**

**The teacher's or Principal's judgment is final on code violations.**

### **PHYSICAL EDUCATION UNIFORM –KINDERGARTEN THROUGH 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE**

The gym uniform is to be worn on designated gym days or field trips as instructed by teacher. The gym uniform may be purchased through the school. Blue monogrammed/fleece shorts or navy blue sweatpants/fleece or blue nylon basketball shorts or pants may be worn. No plaid pants. Gym shorts may be worn only during the months of August, September, May and June unless extended by the administration. Shorts are only to be worn during the months of AUGUST, SEPTEMBER, MAY AND JUNE.

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St. Gerald navy blue or gray t-shirt or navy blue sweatshirt can be worn. No sports team clothing allowed.

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### **OUT OF UNIFORM DAYS / FIELD TRIPS**

Out of uniform days will be solely at the discretion of the school administration. The school administration will determine appropriate wear for the out of uniform days (red, white and blue day or pajama day, etc.). On out of uniform days, a student may opt to wear his/her regular school uniform or on the student's gym days, his/her gym uniform.

For purposes of safety and security the dress code for field trips will be either a St. Gerald gym shirt or sweatshirt with appropriate pants, jeans or shorts OR full uniform dress, at the discretion of the teacher.

When an out of uniform day is permitted by the school administration, the following dress code shall apply:

- No **sleeveless** shirts, tank tops, or dresses of any kind (cap and short sleeves are permitted);
- No crop tops or low cut tops;
- No tight jeans; **Leggings must be worn with tops that go to the top of the thigh and covers the behind**
- Shorts and skirts must be finger tip length;
- No hats or caps or hoods (unless an outside field trip);
- Clothes must be neat and orderly in appearance;

- Clothing must be worn as it was intended. No coats worn in class, pants worn at the waist, etc.;
- Shoes should be the same as uniform days/gym days and socks must be worn;
- No clothing should contain any offensive language or pictures, nor should it promote any bands, cigarette or liquor companies or offensive trends. Discretion of the teacher is the final judgment on this type of clothing violation.

**When a student is in violation of the out of uniform dress code, the teacher will send home a BEHAVIOR NOTICE which will explain the violation, call home before a field trip for a change of clothing, and/or request a gym uniform top or pants from the office to wear in place of the child's clothing choice.**

**Repeated violations of any dress codes may eventually result in additional disciplinary actions**