

SAINT BENEDICT PREPARATORY SCHOOL

DRESS CODE, GRADES 6-8

Welcome back to another terrific school year! There have already been numerous questions regarding the dress code so please read this email for clarification. This information can also be found in the handbook.

ALL STUDENTS MUST OWN AT LEAST ONE "DRESS" UNIFORM FOR SCHOOL EVENTS

(Mass days, volunteering at Open House, School photos, and other school events)

Boys Dress Uniform Options:

- White St. Benedict Preparatory embroidered long or short sleeve oxford with burgundy tie
- Burgundy St. Benedict Preparatory embroidered sweater (optional)
- Khaki pants

Girls Dress Uniform Options:

- White St. Benedict Preparatory embroidered long or short sleeve oxford (burgundy tie optional)
- Burgundy St. Benedict Preparatory embroidered sweater (optional)
- Burgundy plaid kilt (this is strongly encouraged)
- Khaki pants
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Boys Everyday Uniform Options (Non-PE Days):

- Shirts are to be tucked in at all times
- Shirts can have only the top button undone
- Uniforms must be sized appropriately for school, not too large or too small

Shirt Options:

- Maroon St. Benedict Preparatory embroidered knit polo shirt
- White Oxford St. Benedict Preparatory embroidered long or short sleeve shirt (burgundy tie optional)

Sweater/Jacket Options:

- Burgundy St. Benedict Preparatory embroidered cardigan
- Burgundy St. Benedict Preparatory embroidered V-neck vest
- Burgundy St. Benedict Preparatory embroidered pull over sweater

MUST BE WORN WITH A UNIFORM SHIRT

Pants:

- MUST be worn with a black belt
- Twill navy blue or khaki tan Chino pants (Cargo pants - no pockets on the legs - and "low-rise" pants are not allowed)

Shorts:

- *May be worn only from beginning of school to October 15 and April 15 to end of school when the students do not have PE*
- Twill navy blue or khaki tan Chino uniform shorts (Cargo shorts - no pockets on the legs - and "low-rise" shorts are not allowed; shorts should not extend beyond the knee)

Shoes/Socks:

- Black dress shoes with soft soles; Dress shoes are leather top shoes; Leather top gym shoes are not allowed
- When wearing shorts, student may wear SOLID white leather gym shoes with white socks (Cloth/Canvas low or high tops, cartoon shoes, or shoes that light up are not allowed)
- NO sandals, flip flops, boots, slipper style, open toe, or open back shoes
- Navy, white, or black socks

Girls Everyday Uniform Options (Non-PE Days):

- Shirts are to be tucked in at all times
- Shirts can have only the top button undone.
- Uniforms must be sized appropriately for school, not too large or too small.

Shirt Options:

- Burgundy St. Benedict Preparatory embroidered knit polo shirt
- White Oxford St. Benedict Preparatory embroidered long or short sleeve shirt (burgundy tie optional)

Sweater/Jacket Options:

- Burgundy St. Benedict Preparatory embroidered cardigan
- Burgundy St. Benedict Preparatory embroidered V-neck vest
- Burgundy St. Benedict Preparatory embroidered pull over sweater

MUST BE WORN WITH A UNIFORM SHIRT**Skirts/Pants:**

- Gray and burgundy plaid kilt skirt - skirt MAY NOT be worn with a belt
- Twill navy blue or khaki tan Chino pants; NO cargo or Capri style pants - no pockets on the legs; no "low-rise" pants
- Pants MUST be worn with a black or burgundy/gray plaid belt

Shorts:

- *May be worn only from beginning of school to October 15 and April 15 to end of school when the students do not have PE*
- Twill navy blue or khaki tan Chino uniform shorts; cargo pants with packets on the side, Capri style pants, and skorts are not allowed; No "low-rise" waists; shorts should be of a modest length

Shoes/socks:

- Black dress shoes with a soft sole; dress shoes are leather top shoes; leather top gym shoes are not allowed
- When wearing shorts, student may wear SOLID white leather gym shoes with white socks; cloth/canvas low or high tops, cartoon shoes, or shoes that light up are not allowed
- NO sandals, flip flops, boots, high heels, slipper style, open toe, or open back shoes
- Navy blue, maroon, or white ankle socks
- Navy blue, maroon, or white knee socks
- Navy blue, maroon, or white tights

GYM UNIFORM FOR BOTH BOYS AND GIRLS

The PE uniform may be worn to school only on PE days. Teacher will communicate PE days to parents during the first week of school. Students typically have PE twice a week.

- Maroon sweatpants or shorts
- Gray St. Benedict Preparatory school T-shirt
- Maroon St. Benedict Preparatory Sweatshirt OR gray St. Benedict Preparatory fleece zipper jacket for cold days
- White athletic socks; no "ped" style socks
- White leather athletic shoe only; cloth/canvas low or high tops, cartoon shoes, or shoes that light up are not allowed
- The PE shorts may only be worn on warm weather gym days from August through October 15 and from April 15 through June
- Only plain white short-sleeved shirts may be worn under uniform gym shirts; under shirt is not to be visibly longer than the uniform shirt - student will be asked to tuck under shirt in pants if necessary

ADDITIONAL GUIDELINES FOR ALL STUDENTS:

- Hair should be professional in appearance and in good taste; Also, it should avoid exaggerated styles or colors, (i.e., lines designs, two-tones), and it should not cause undue attention
- Hair accessories need to be kept simple; students will be asked to remove very large or bold hair accessories
- No facial makeup of any kind is allowed; no nail polish
- No writing on or cutting/tearing of clothing or shoes will be permitted
- Only simple jewelry is allowed - one small necklace, set of stud earring, one bracelet or ring allowed; students will be asked to remove items if they are bold or if there are multiples of an accessory- -this includes multiple bangle bracelets
- Shoe laces must be one color and appropriately match the shoes; shoe laces or other fasteners must be tied/fastened
- Underwear of any kind should not be visible
- Hats and other headgear are not to be worn in the building AT ANY TIME
- Students must dress in school uniforms during any school function during the school day; this includes Days of Reflection, field trips, pep rallies, or any school function not mentioned here unless otherwise excused
- No female student should have more than two earrings in either ear; no other type of body piercing is allowed
- Piercing(s) are not permitted for male students
- Belts may NOT be worn with skirts
- Belts MUST be worn with pants (black or brown belts only)

SPIRIT DAYS

On special dress code days, known as spirit days, students are to wear the following items.

- Jeans in good repair, free from holes on any part of the clothing item or other modest style pants (worn at the waist with a belt)
- Bengal wear purchased online at the spirit store
- In-season sports jerseys if the team coach permits
- Gym shoes or other appropriate shoe item; NO flip flops, sandals, shower shoes, boots, high heels, slipper style, open toe, or open back shoes
- Uniform shirts, pants, and shoes
- Pajama bottoms are NOT allowed

- Only St. Benedict Preparatory hooded sweatshirts may be worn during the school day; NO OTHER HOODED SWEATSHIRTS may be worn in school during class time
- HOODS MUST BE DOWN AT ALL TIMES IN THE SCHOOL BUILDING

DRESS CODE ON CAMPUS BEFORE SCHOOL OR WHEN SCHOOL DAY IS OVER:

- Students are expected to come to school dressed in proper uniform attire and not to get dressed at their locker in the morning
- Clothing such as tank-tops, tee shirts, half-shirts, flannel shirts or sweatpants, pajama bottoms (plain or with designs), are not permitted
- Clothing with pictures, sayings, numbers, or athletic teams is not permitted