

## DRESS CODE

The dress code pertains to ALL Grade K-8 students of our school. Pre-Kindergarten have a separate dress code discussed at the end of this section.

This dress code has been developed by the Education Committee, made up of parents, with final approval by the School Board. It attempts to be very specific in order to eliminate the necessity of our teachers spending a disproportionate amount of their time enforcing the dress code. We ask the cooperation of all parents to be certain that your child/ren conforms to these rules and presents a neat appearance. If a registered student is a member of a culture that conflicts with these dress code regulations, the student's parent(s) may approach the administration about dress code policies that may affect the student.

Dennis Uniform Co., DiGiorgio's Sportswear and French Toast will be supplying our school uniforms for this school year. Dennis Uniform Co. and DiGiorgio's Sportswear will carry all items for boys and girls uniforms, while French Toast will carry skorts, skirts and jumpers for girls uniforms. Pants, shorts, boys and girls white shirts and girls blouses may be purchased at any store, but the navy blue color of pants MUST be of the SAME COLOR and uniform style as those available at Dennis Uniform or DiGiorgio's Sportswear. Blue and red uniform sweaters MUST be purchased at Dennis Uniform or DiGiorgio's Sportswear. NO other style or colors will be accepted with the uniform.

Final interpretation of appropriateness in dress code will be handled by the administration.

### Boys Dress Code

The following are the options for purchasing the uniform for the 2020-2021 school year.

1. Pants-

Plain (no design) navy blue pants

Navy blue pants may be purchased at any store. The style and color of the pants must be the same style and color as from Dennis Uniform Co. or DiGiorgio's Sportswear. Over the course of time, navy blue tends to fade. Faded navy is not an acceptable color for uniform pants.

2. Shorts-

May be worn in place of pants through October 31<sup>st</sup> in the Fall and then beginning April 1<sup>st</sup> in the Spring. Navy blue shorts may be purchased at any store. The style and color of the shorts must be the same style and color as from Dennis Uniform Co. or DiGiorgio's Sportswear. When shorts are worn as the uniform, boys MUST wear navy blue, white or red plain socks. No stripes or colored accents are allowed. The length of the uniform shorts may not exceed the knee. Final interpretation of appropriateness of length of shorts will be handled by the administration.

3. Shirts-

Plain light blue\* or white oxford shirt, either long or short sleeved, pointed collars required **and/or**

Plain light blue\* or white knit shirt, either long or short sleeved, pointed collars required **and/or**

White short sleeved knit shirt with SPSL logo or SPSL panther screen-printed or embroidered on upper left side of shirt – MUST be ordered through the school office

**and/or**

Plain light blue\* or white long sleeved turtleneck, no buttons

\*The style and color of the plain light blue knit shirts must be the same style and color as from Dennis Uniform Co. or DiGiorgio's Sportswear.

Plain white shirts/turtlenecks may be purchased at any store.

If T-Shirts are worn, they MUST be SOLID WHITE, SHORT SLEEVED ONLY.

All shirts, regardless of style, are required to be properly tucked in.

Students are expected to be neat and clean in their appearance.

4. Sweater-

Red or navy blue crew or cardigan uniform sweater must be purchased at Dennis Uniform Co. or DiGiorgio's Sportswear. All sweaters must be worn with a uniform shirt or turtleneck.

5. Sweatshirts-

The navy blue sweatshirts, purchased through the school, may be worn as part of the school uniform. Uniform shirts/turtlenecks must be worn under the sweatshirt. No oversized or hooded sweatshirts will be allowed.

6. Shoes-

Suitable shoes, dress or tennis, and socks are to be worn. Sandals, backless shoes, boots or similar shoes are not part of the uniform. Shoes must be tied, strapped or fastened and shoes with eyelets must have laces through the eyelets and must be tied. "Wheelies" shoes are not allowed. Croc-style footwear, "toe shoes", and moccasin style shoes are not allowed.

7. Socks-

Socks must be worn and visible above the tops of the shoes. They are to be plain navy blue, white, or red socks, except for small logos on the socks are acceptable. Socks with colored accent stripes or colored designs are not allowed.

8. Jewelry-

Faddish or distracting jewelry such as long chains, large watches, multiple bracelets or wristbands (more than one per wrist), rings or ankle bracelets, etc. and buttons or pins are not allowed on any school day. Religious medallions, chokers, chains and/or other types of necklaces must be worn inside the shirt so that no part is visible. Boys may not wear earrings or have any other type of body piercings. Tattoos are not allowed. Sweatbands are not permitted.

9. Hair-

Hair must be clean, well groomed and not excessively long. Hair that is past the top of the collar of the boy's uniform shirt or that is hanging in the eyes is considered excessively long. No unusual haircuts, hairstyles, hair color, or **facial hair** is allowed. Hair coloring includes the coloring of the entire head of hair along with highlighting and partial coloring. Razor cuts, carvings, shaving, tails or hair that covers the face will not be allowed. No hair extensions are allowed. Final interpretation of excessively long and/or inappropriateness of hairstyle will be determined by the administration. Hats and bandanas are not to be worn upon entering the school or during the school day with possible exceptions on dress-down days.

10. PE Uniform-

Boys wear their uniform shorts or pants for PE class. If boys take off their uniform pants or shorts for gym class, then they must wear SPSL gym shorts. Athletic shoes that provide stability and support and fit securely on feet are required for PE class. Shoes must either tie or have velcro. Hiking shoes and shoes with metal are not allowed. Shoes with eyelets must have laces through the eyelets and must be tied. All jewelry (including watches) is to be removed prior to coming to PE class.

### Girls Dress Code

The following will be the options for purchasing the uniform for the 2020-2021 school year.

1. Navy blue plaid jumper grades K-4

Navy blue plaid skort grades K-8 (can be worn the whole school year)

Navy blue plaid skirt grades 5-8

Must be purchased at Dennis Uniform, DiGiorgio's Sportswear, or French Toast

The pattern of jumpers, skorts and skirts worn by girls must be an identical match to the pattern sold at Dennis Uniform (Hamilton Plaid), DiGiorgio's Sportswear or French Toast (Navy/Red Plaid, either Item #1047 – jumper, Item #1397 – skort or Item #1065 – skirt). Skirts or skorts should not be rolled at the

waist and may not be shorter than three inches from the top of the knee. Final interpretation of appropriateness of length of skorts/skirts will be handled by the administration.

2. Blouses-

Plain white tailored/oxford blouses, long or short sleeved, no lace, ruffles, extra trim, colored inner collars. Pointed or round collar with buttons down the entire front. **OR**

Plain white or navy blue\* knit shirt, either long or short sleeved, pointed collars required. **OR**

Plain white knit shirt, either long or short sleeved, with banded bottom. **OR**

White short sleeved knit shirt with SPSL logo or SPSL panther screen-printed or embroidered on upper left side of shirt – **MUST** be ordered through the school office **OR**

Plain white long sleeved turtlenecks without buttons, lace, or ruffles.

Plain white blouses/turtlenecks may be purchased at any store.

\*The style and color of the plain navy knit shirts must be the same style and color as from Dennis Uniform Co. or DiGiorgio's Sportswear.

NO wrinkled blouses.

If T-Shirts are worn, they MUST be SOLID WHITE, SHORT SLEEVED ONLY.

All blouses, except for banded bottom shirts, are required to be properly tucked in.

Students are expected to be neat and clean in their appearance.

3. Sweater-

Red or navy blue crew or cardigan uniform sweater must be purchased at Dennis Uniform Co. or DiGiorgio's Sportswear. All sweaters must be worn with a uniform blouse or turtleneck.

4. Sweatshirts-

The navy blue sweatshirts, purchased through the school, may be worn as part of the school uniform. Uniform shirts/turtlenecks must be worn under the sweatshirt. No oversized or hooded sweatshirts will be allowed.

5. Shorts-

Shorts may be worn through October 31<sup>st</sup> in the Fall and then beginning April 1<sup>st</sup> in the Spring. Navy blue shorts may be purchased at any store. The style and color of the shorts must be the same style and color as from Dennis Uniform Co. or DiGiorgio's Sportswear. When shorts are worn as the uniform, girls MUST wear navy blue, white or red plain socks. No stripes or colored accents are allowed. Shorts should not be rolled at the waist and may not be shorter than three inches from the top of the knee. Final interpretation of appropriateness of length of shorts will be handled by the administration.

6. Pants-

Pants may be worn throughout the entire school year. Pants must be navy blue and of the uniform style. They may be purchased at any store. Over the course of time, navy blue tends to fade. Faded navy is not an acceptable color for uniform pants

7. Shoes-

Suitable shoes, dress or tennis, and socks are to be worn. Sandals, backless shoes, boots or similar shoes are not part of the uniform. Shoes must be tied, strapped or fastened and shoes with eyelets must have laces through the eyelets and must be tied. "Wheelies" shoes are not allowed. Croc-style footwear, "toe shoes", and moccasin style shoes are not allowed.

8. Socks-

Socks must be worn. Plain navy blue, white or red anklets, crew socks, tights or knee highs may be worn. Small logos on the socks are acceptable. Socks with colored accent stripes, lace, or colored designs are not allowed. Plain, not patterned, navy blue, white or red tights (no mid-calf or mid-thigh tights are allowed) may or may not be worn with anklets or socks. **Plain, not patterned, navy blue, white or red leggings (no mid-calf or capri leggings allowed) may be worn with socks.** Socks or anklets must be visible above the tops of the shoes.

9. Make-up/Polish

Make-up is not allowed on any school day except light make-up for grade 8 girls on picture day. **No nail polish (any color), or artificial nails are allowed.**

10. Jewelry-

Only small, non-dangling, non-hoop, smaller than the lobe style earrings are allowed. If earrings are worn, like earrings must be worn in each ear and only one earring per ear can be worn and only in the lowest part of the ear lobe. Faddish or distracting jewelry such as long chains, large watches, multiple bracelets or wristbands (more than one), rings, or ankle bracelets, etc. and buttons or pins are not allowed on any school day. Religious medallions, chokers, chains and/or other types of necklaces must be worn inside the blouse so that no part is visible. Body piercings, body jewelry, and tattoos are not allowed. Sweatbands are not permitted.

11. Hair-

Hair must be clean and well groomed. No faddish or unusual haircuts or hairstyles will be allowed nor will **hair coloring**. Hair coloring includes the coloring of the entire head of hair along with highlighting and partial coloring. Razor cuts, carvings, shaving, or hair that covers the face will not be allowed. Hair extensions may be worn, but must be the same color as the natural hair color. Feathers or other synthetic hair accessories (e.g. clip-in braids) will not be allowed. Final interpretation of hairstyle and objects in the hair will be determined by the administration. Hats and bandanas are not to be worn upon entering the school or during the school day with possible exceptions on dress-down days.

12. PE Uniform-

Uniform skorts or uniform shorts and athletic shoes that provide stability and support and fit securely on feet are required for PE for girls in grades K-4. Shorts should not be too tight or too short and without words on the back side. For girls in grades 5-8, uniform skirts, uniform pants, uniform shorts or the designated SPSL gym shorts, along with supportive athletic shoes, are required for PE. Shoes must either tie or have velcro. Hiking shoes and shoes with metal are not allowed. Shoes with eyelets must have laces through the eyelets and must be tied. "Sperrys" shoes and moccasins are not allowed. All jewelry (including watches), with the exception of post earrings, needs to be removed and left in the classroom prior to coming to PE.

"Dress-down" means casual attire including t-shirts, jeans, sweatpants, shorts, sweatshirts and blouses. We ask that the t-shirts are in good taste without offensive language/graphics. They may not display musical groups, advertise drugs/alcohol or display guns, weapons, or violence. Sleeveless shirts and bare midriffs are not allowed. Jeans, sweatpants, and shirts must be without holes and tears. Girls may wear leggings or yoga/athletic style pants, but they must be accompanied with an extra long sweater, blouse or skirt. Capri pants may be worn by girls only. Flannel pants and/or pajama pants may NOT be worn. Students should not wear any clothing that is too tight or too short. Shorts are allowed on "dress-down" day when it is within the time frame when uniform shorts are allowed. Final interpretation of appropriateness of shorts length on "dress down" days will be handled by the administration.

"Dress-up" means that girls may wear dresses or skirts, slacks, blouses, and sweaters and boys can wear dress pants and shirts or sweaters.

As with any school day, the sock, shoe and jewelry code are in effect on both "dress-down" and "dress-up" days, except that the students are allowed to wear any color of socks and shoes that have the heels and toes closed on "dress-down" days. Students should have tennis shoes available to use on days they have PE or for going out to recess.

"Picture Day" (usually in October) – Students in grades PreK-7 may "**dress up**" on picture day. "**Dress up**" for picture day states that girls may wear dresses or skirts, slacks, blouses, and sweaters and it is acceptable for female students to wear pantyhose instead of socks or tights on Picture Day ONLY. Any color of socks is acceptable on "Picture Day". Also, a student may choose to wear any type of shoe while he/she is getting their picture taken – but, the student must wear shoes that follow the dress code for the rest of the school day. Boys may wear dress pants and shirts, or sweaters. Students may **NOT WEAR JEANS, ATHLETIC SHORTS, SLEEVELESS SHIRTS**, tank tops, sweatshirts, sweatpants or T-shirts for picture day. Socks need to be worn on "dress up" day.

**PRE-KINDERGARTEN DRESS CODE**

Uniforms are not required for Pre-Kindergarten students. Any type of comfortable and washable clothing may be worn. Pants that pull off easily and without belts are best. Tennis shoes are recommended because of the different activities that go on daily in the classroom. Shorts are allowed through October 31st and beginning April 1st.