

SMA Lower School Dress Code

2011-2012

As we live the four Loretto values of Community, Justice, Respect, and Faith, St. Mary's Academy Lower School seeks to simplify the requirements for appropriate dress at school and to minimize the importance of fashion and fashion trends through our carefully designed dress code. We strive to maintain an atmosphere conducive to learning, and it is important to understand that students are expected to be well groomed and neatly dressed at school and on field trips. It is the responsibility of students, parents, and staff to implement this dress code.

SMA School Spirit Blue/White Days

All students are required to have a pair of navy blue slacks (girls may wear a navy blue skirt) and a clean white polo (collared) style shirt for all special "Blue and White" days. These will include Mass days, May Crowning, certain field trips and some other designated days. **No shorts or cropped pants will be allowed on these special days.**

Tops

Boys and girls may wear any **plain, solid** color long sleeved or short sleeved polo style shirt. The **ONLY** logo allowed will be the SMA logo that can be ordered from the Lands' End Catalog, Educational Outfitter of Colorado, or the logos on the SMA purchased apparel. Vests must be a **plain, solid** color. **Plaids or stripes are NOT allowed.**

If classes need a colored polo shirt for any special school event, teachers will inform parents as soon as possible, preferably at the beginning of the school year.

Turtlenecks or t-shirts in any **plain, solid** color may be worn underneath the polo style shirts. The polo style shirts are to be worn on the outside and **DO NOT** need to be tucked in. However, the under t-shirt or turtleneck **MUST** be tucked in. (Reminder: No logos except SMA are allowed on any shirt, over or under.)

Bottoms

Boys may wear **plain, solid** color navy blue, black, brown, or any shade of khaki colored pants or shorts. **Plaids are NOT allowed.** Cargo pants or cargo shorts are allowed **ONLY** if they look like the ones that can be purchased from the Lands' End School Uniform Catalog. Fabrics chosen for bottoms should be similar to cotton twill or corduroy.

Girls may wear any **plain, solid** color navy blue, black, brown, or any shade of khaki colored, pants, skirts, jumpers, skorts, shorts or cropped pants. **Plaids are NOT allowed.** Cargo pants or cargo shorts are allowed **ONLY** if they look like the ones that can be purchased from the Lands' End School Uniform Catalog edition. Skirts may be pleated, A-line, or skort style. (See attached sheet – skirts need to be similar to these.) Fabrics chosen for bottoms should be similar to cotton twill or corduroy. **Skirts are to be an appropriate length, depending on the age of the student** (No mini skirts). **NO leggings or gauchos may be worn.**

Sweatshirts/Sweaters/Fleeces

Students may wear any **plain, solid** color sweatshirt, fleece, or sweater inside during the school day. No outerwear jackets may be worn inside during the school day. (Reminder: No logos are allowed except SMA. All apparel purchased from SMA is acceptable.)

Shoes, Boots and Socks

Socks (any **plain, solid** color) are a must. Tights with feet in any **plain, solid** color are acceptable. **Crocs and sandals are NOT allowed.** Fashion boots (i.e. Uggs) are **NOT** allowed. Boots are not to be worn inside the building during the day. Heels on shoes must be one inch or less. No wheelie shoes are allowed. A pair of indoor-only PE shoes is required for every student.

Hair

Students are expected to have neatly groomed, clean hair. The hair length for boys may not extend over the bottom of the collar. Hair must be out of the students' eyes.

Jewelry/Accessories

Belts are preferred but not mandatory. Belts may not be worn over shirts. Chain belts, very wide belts, or belts that dangle are not allowed. Earrings for girls may be no longer than one inch. Other jewelry should be limited to one bracelet and one necklace. Hats are not worn inside the building during the school day. No make-up may be worn to school (Chap Ice/Lip Gloss/Lip Balm are allowed).

Other Important Information

The word "plain" is defined as a top or bottom with no embellishments: no embroidery, no ruffles, no lace, etc. We are trying to keep the dress code as simple as possible. Clothes need to fit properly. Clothing which is oversized or too tight may **NOT** be worn.

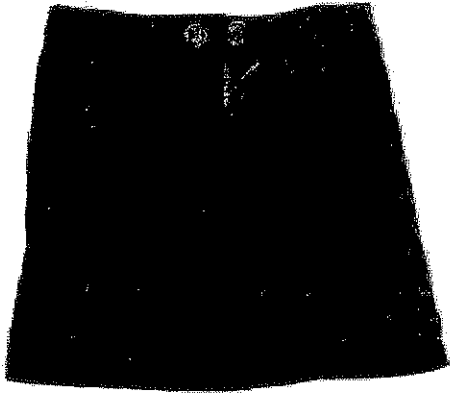
Some Possible Sources for Appropriate Dress Code Clothing

Penney's, Sears, Target, Dillards, Gap Uniform, Old Navy, Educational Outfitter of Colorado, or Lands' End School Uniform Catalog. At Orientation, August 23 and 24, we will have a variety of SMA (with logos) clothing available to purchase.

Process for Those Students Out of Dress Code

Parents will be notified when their child is out of dress code. We expect parents to ensure that their children adhere to the guidelines and wear the correct dress code.

Girls' 2-button Skort



Item # 18870-95XX

Girls' Long Chino Skort



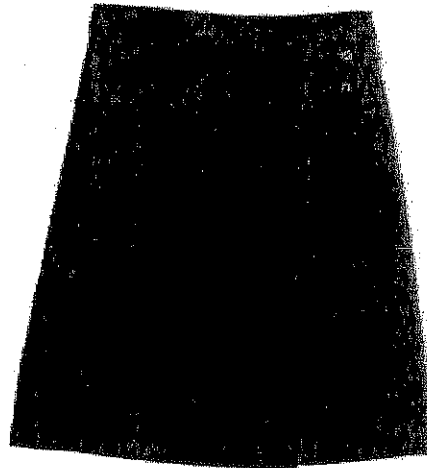
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Girls' Pleated Skirt



Item # 06514-35X4

Girls' Solid A-line Skirt



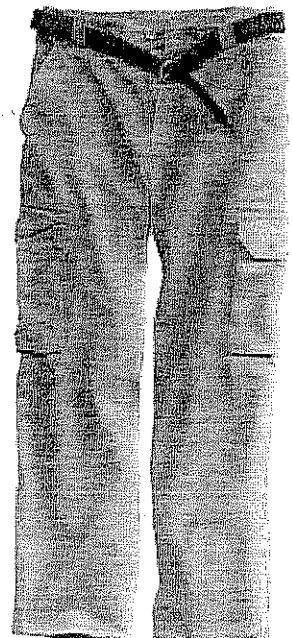
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Girls' Short Chino Skort



Item # 07841-05X4

Boys' Cargo Pocket Pants



Item # 09252-55X4

