

IV. DRESS CODE

All students attending St. Teresa Catholic School will be required to wear the school uniform and follow the dress code procedures. The purpose of St. Teresa's dress code is for the students to present a neat, uniform, and attractive appearance while attending school and to present to the community a positive wholesome image. The students in the Monsignor Eichenseer (Little Tigers) Pre-K Program are not governed by the details of the dress code. (School Board Policy 513.2- revised in 2016) However, the Pre-K dress code is listed after the Kindergarten thru 8th grade policy.

UNIFORM/SPIRIT WEAR SUPPLIERS

Lands' End, Inc.

1 (800) 469-2222

www.landsend.com/school

SCHOOL CODE – 900134107

Tommy Hilfiger

www.globalschoolwear.com

SCHOOL CODE – STTEOI

ArtWear

1916 Lebanon Avenue
Belleville, IL 62221

(618) 234-5522

www.artwearstl.com

A. KINDERGARTEN THRU 8th GRADE

SHOES: Comfortable rubber soled shoes in athletic styles suitable (any color) for both the playground and the classroom are required. Open style shoes including sandals, flip-flops, crocs, clogs, and platform styles with heels higher than 1 inch are not permitted. Boots are not permitted in the classroom. Roller shoes are prohibited.

SOCKS: Plain white or black socks must be worn.

PANTS/SLACKS: Pants/slacks must be BLACK and should not have a brand label on them. Pants/slacks may be purchased at stores that sell “Uniform-type” slacks. No cargo-style or pants with zippered pockets are permitted. Corduroy slacks are not permitted. A white, black or gold uniform shirt must be worn with the pants/slacks.

SHORTS: Shorts must be black without a brand label on them. They may be worn during the entirety of the school year. Shorts may be purchased at stores that sell “Uniform-type” shorts. No cargo-style or shorts with zippered pockets are permitted. Shorts should be no more than four (4) inches above the top on the knee. A white, black or gold uniform shirt must be worn with the shorts.

SHIRTS: White or black polo (long or short sleeve) style shirts may be worn. There may not be a brand label/emblem on them. Collar may be pointed, round or ruffled. No additional ruffles except on the collar are permitted. White or black polo shirts may be purchased from Lands End, Tommy Hilfiger, or any retail outlet that sells uniform style clothing. As an option, not required, you may have the school academic logo embroidered on your white or black polo shirt. If you choose to have the school logo embroidered on your white or black polo shirt, that shirt must be purchased through Lands End where the embroidery is approved for application on St. Teresa School uniforms.

A white polo shirt must be worn on all school Mass days.

½ ZIP PULLOVERS/SWEATERS: Black sweaters/pullovers without a brand/label on them may be worn. Sweaters may be vest, crew, button/zipper styles or V-neck cardigan, crew or V-neck pullover. No sweaters with emblems or other colors may be worn in the classroom. As an option, not required, you may have the school academic logo embroidered on your black sweater. If you choose to have the school logo embroidered on your black sweater, that sweater must be purchased through Lands End where the embroidery is approved for application on St. Teresa School uniforms. Students may also wear the black Sherpa pullover embroidered with the school logo available from ArtWear. NOTE: Students will not be permitted to wear fleece or sweaters that are not St. Teresa School wear during the school day.

BELTS: Plain black belts must be worn with pants/slacks or shorts that have belt loops.

The following items are optional, but require the embroidered academic logo and may only be purchased through Lands End:

OXFORD SHIRTS: A white oxford shirt may be worn and must have the embroidered school academic logo. This optional item must be purchased through Lands End. Only approved styles of this shirt will be available on the Lands End St. Teresa School Uniform site.

JUMPERS/SKIRTS: Gold/white/black plaid jumpers and skirts may be worn by girls in any grade. The jumpers require the embroidered school academic logo. (The skirts do not offer the option for a logo.) The skirts and jumpers are an alternative option for girls instead of wearing shorts or pants. Either shorts or black leggings must be worn under all jumpers and skirts.

UNIFORM SITES - All UNIFORM items listed on the Lands End and Tommy Hilfiger sites have been approved for wear in the St. Teresa School classrooms. However, spirit wear items are also offered for sale on the Lands End site. When you click for more information on an item, a message will note if the item is approved for uniforms, spirit wear or both.

B. GENERAL INFORMATION:

- Any plaid uniforms worn must be identical in color and pattern to those of our uniform supplier, Lands End/Tommy Hilfiger. If uncertain of uniformity, please check with the school for final clarification and approval prior to a final purchase. Non-matching plaids, as determined by the school, will be prohibited.
- Uniforms are worn from the first day of school to the last day unless a “non-uniform” day is announced.
- Scout uniforms (for both girls and boys) may be worn on the day of a scout meeting or other Scouting event.
- No make-up is to be worn EXCEPT nail polish and clear or very light lip gloss.
- Only girls may wear earrings. If earrings are worn, they should be the post-type or pierced small hanging earrings. Do not wear long, dangling earrings.
- In the event of an emergency regarding uniforms, a note should be sent to the teacher.
- No hats, head gear, hoods, sweatbands, or bandanas are to be worn in the building during school hours and at some indoor school functions.
- The physical education teacher will establish what is appropriate attire for PE Class. Athletic/tennis shoes are required for PE Class.
- Hair must be neatly groomed and clean. Hair coloring must be a natural color. Head bands, hair ties, barrettes, decorations, etc. must not distract from the instructional environment or draw attention to an individual but should be functional as opposed to fashionable. (SB uniform policy revised 2016)

C. PRE-KINDERGARTEN DRESS CODE

Pre-Kindergarten students do not need to purchase a school uniform. “Play clothes” are the best choice for our Pre-K program. Remember, your child will be using the restroom alone, so please make sure your child has mastered their snaps, belts, etc. before wearing the outfit to school.

For your child's safety and the safety of the other children TENNIS SHOES (Velcro is preferred) and socks MUST be worn every day.

Crocs, boots, dress shoes, sleeveless shirts, tank tops, and spaghetti straps are prohibited.

D. FULL NON-UNIFORM vs. SCHOOL SPIRIT DAYS

School Spirit days will be announced by the principal and on those days students will be permitted to wear any St. Teresa sponsored wear along with their normal uniform bottoms. On full non-uniform days, students are expected to dress tastefully in keeping with our philosophy that they represent to the community a positive, wholesome image. Non-uniform shorts and skirts may be worn but must be no more than four (4) inches above the top of the knee. Blue jeans are permitted if they are without holes, tears, patches, or excessive wear. Cargo pants and shorts are permitted. To support our drug-free status, do not wear clothing displaying tobacco, drug or alcohol related graphics. Do not wear clothing that is too revealing such as halters, tank tops, spaghetti straps, spandex bottoms or tops that expose the body above the waistline. Shoulders are to be covered.

E. DRESS CODE VIOLATION

If a student is in violation of the dress code, the following steps will be taken:

1. Parents contacted and may be called to bring the appropriate uniform items.
2. The student may not be permitted to participate in the next non-uniform day.