

School Dress Code and Good Grooming Policy (PreK – 8th)

Both Boys and Girls:

- **Slacks/Shorts:** Any solid dark blue, tan khaki (no green khaki), brown, gray, or black slacks, and dress walking shorts in twill/woven or corduroy material may be worn. No nylon (windpants), knit, joggers (elastic cuffs), or sweatpant material allowed. Black denim is also allowed (not faded or stone washed). No tan or navy denim is allowed. The walking shorts are not to be shorter than 3 inches above the knee and are not to extend beyond mid-calf length. All pants should fit at the hip. **No Shorts from November 1st – March 31st.**
- **Belts:** Required for Unit B students. Solid color belts in brown, black, or navy must be worn with slacks, walking shorts and capris.
- **Hair:** Hair color needs to be a natural hair color. Boys hair length may not extend beyond the collar.
- **Hats:** Hats are not to be worn in the school building during the school day.
- **Shirts:** A solid color shirt with a collar is to be worn everyday, tucked in. Shirts should not be tight/formfitting. No ties, zippers or snaps allowed. The collar may be a turtleneck, mock turtleneck, buttoned, or turned-down style. A small manufacturer's logo will be allowed. A St. Athanasius polo may also be worn. No long sleeve shirts under a short sleeve shirt.
- **Spirit Day Attire:** Each Friday will be considered a "Spirit Day". Any St. A's t-shirt long-sleeved or short sleeved may be worn along with uniform slacks, capris, shorts, or skorts. Jeans or denim Capri pants or shorts (no shorter than 3 inches above the knee) may be worn with the spirit shirt. Shirts must be tucked in; belts are required for Unit B students, unless when pants are purchased, they do not have belt loops. In the event that a field trip is planned for a Friday, jeans may not be worn. The teacher will advise students about whether a spirit shirt is allowed.
- **Jeans/Out-of-Uniform Day:** Jeans worn on Spirit Days or out-of-uniform days should not be tattered or have rips or holes. Tank tops are not allowed. Shorts – no shorter than 3 inches above the knee.
- **Piercings:** No piercings allowed for boys. Girls may only have their ears pierced and may not wear large hoops or dangling earrings. No gages allowed for boys or girls.
- **Tattoos:** Tattoos are not allowed.
- **Sweaters, Sweatshirts, Fleece Shirts:** Any solid color waist/hip length sweater may be worn. Solid color sweatshirts or fleece shirts with the St. A/Wildcats/pawprint logo may be worn. A collared uniform shirt must be worn under the sweater, sweatshirt, or fleece shirt.
- **Socks:** Socks must be worn everyday.
- **Shoes:** Athletic shoes or tennis shoes are recommended. Oxfords or sandals, if worn, must have closed toes and protected backs worn with socks. Shoes should be flat-soled (no high soles or heels) for safety reasons. No boots, clogs, flip-flops, or open back shoes. **This includes Spirit Days and Out-of-Uniform Days.**
- **Gym Shoes:** It is a policy of the school, adopted by the Board of Education, that students be required to have a separate pair of laced or Velcro tennis shoes with white or non-marking soles for gym. (These are separate from street shoes and should stay at school.) Students in grades 5-8 must also have a t-shirt and pair of shorts for gym.

Girls: Additional attire for girls

- **Jumper:** PreK-4 may wear a navy or tan jumper; it should be no shorter than 3 inches above the knee.

- Skorts; Any uniform style skort in navy, khaki, or black may be worn. The skorts are not to be shorter than 3 inches above the knee.
- Capri Pants: Any solid dark blue, tan khaki (no green khaki), gray, or black twill/woven Capri pants may be worn. No ties/strings on the leg of the Capri pants.
- Make-Up: No heavy make-up.

All Clothing must be clean and in good condition.

All Uniforms are subject to Teacher and Principal Approval

Infractions of the dress code:

1st Offense – Warning not to wear the item again

2nd Offense – Student will be sent home to change clothes

Search and Seizure

It is the policy of St. Athanasius School Board to operate its educational programs in a Catholic, orderly environment. Recognizing that the presence of contraband on school property or on the person of a student attending school is not consistent with the above policy, St. Athanasius School adopts the policy as stated in ACSB 5145.2 which refers to the rules relating to periodic inspection, to the search of students and/or to protected student areas.

Contraband includes substances or items which, if found on school property, violate the law and school regulations, or are detrimental to an orderly environment at school. Contraband includes by way of illustration, but is not limited to, drugs, narcotics, tobacco, liquor, weapons and stolen property. It consists of substances or items which may cause a substantial disruption of the school environment, and/or which present a threat to the health and safety of the students and staff.

Tobacco, Drinking, Use of Non Prescribed or Illegal Drugs

Students are not to use, possess, sell, or be under the influence of non-prescribed or illegal drugs, beer, or other intoxicating beverages on the school grounds at anytime or while they are on a school sponsored activity off campus. The use or possession of tobacco on the school grounds is prohibited. These are matters of state law and cannot be permitted in the school, in the immediate school area, or at school related activities, or on school buses. Student's possession of tobacco, all forms of non-FDA approved nicotine, drugs, and/or alcoholic products in school, or at school activities, results in confiscation and discipline. (See also ACSB 5131.6, ACSB 5131.61, ACSB 5144 and/or ACSB 5144.1 concerning Substance Abuse, Tobacco and Discipline).

Weapons and Dangerous Instruments

It shall be the policy of the St. Athanasius School Board that weapons and other dangerous objects are taken from students and others who bring them on to the school property or from students who are participating in any school-related activity away from school premises. Parents/guardians of students found in possession of a weapon or dangerous object shall be notified. Confiscation of weapons or dangerous objects will be reported to law enforcement officials and the student will be subject to disciplinary action. Students in possession of a firearm while on school property, or participating in any school-related activity away from school premises shall be expelled for not less than twelve months. Further reference can be found in ACSB 5131.7a.