



**St. Marys Catholic
Middle School
Dress Code
2024-25 School Year**

Special Note: While Elk County Catholic H.S. and St. Marys Catholic M.S. do share a common building, each school maintains its own dress code

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PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE (www.eccss.org) THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER FOR LINKS TO ECCSS PRODUCTS FROM FLYNN & O'HARA AND SPECIAL SHIPPING PROMOS.

The annual uniform exchange will be held on **THURSDAY, JUNE 27** at the St. Marys Catholic Elementary School Cafeteria FROM **9:00-11:30 a.m. and 6:00-7:30 p.m.** Uniforms for the elementary, middle and high schools will be available. You do not need to have anything to exchange in order to attend. If you have a uniform that you would like to donate, please drop it off at the elementary or middle/high school office any time before the exchange.



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There are many details and styles of clothing that cannot be covered in the dress code. It is hoped that students and parents understand not only the “letter” but the “spirit” of the dress code and choose clothing that is appropriate for students attending St. Marys Catholic Middle School.

All pants, shorts, shirts, blouses, and vests must be of the conventional uniform style so as to match those available from Flynn & O’Hara Uniform Company

The administration maintains the right to make the final determination concerning the appropriateness of any student’s attire.

GIRLS

Basic Uniform Components:

- BLOUSE** Solid white short- or long-sleeve front button-down blouse (Peter Pan or Oxford type collar). Blouses may be worn with skirts, pants or shorts. Blouses must be tucked in at all times.
- POLO** Solid white short-sleeve or long-sleeve polo. Polos may be worn with skirts, pants or shorts. Polos must be tucked in at all times.
- SKIRT** Maroon plaid kilt skirt available from Flynn & O’Hara. The length shall be no more than 3” above the knee.
- PANTS** Khaki dress pants. Only dress pants are permitted – no outside sewn or cargo pockets, heavy seams, rivets, stretch fabrics, or form fitting styles.
- SHORTS** Khaki dress shorts. Shorts cannot have outside pockets. Shorts should be no more than two inches above the knee or one inch below the knee. Shorts may be worn from April 15 through October 15.

Uniform Options:

- SWEATER** Solid gray sweater from Flynn & O’Hara Uniform Company, this will be the only permitted style of sweater.
- SWEATSHIRT** Solid maroon sweatshirt with ECCSS logo. Can be worn all year. Item will be available for sale from the ECCSS PTO.
- QUARTER-ZIP** Solid maroon quarter-zip with the ECCSS logo. Can be worn all year. Item will be available for sale from the ECCSS PTO.

Shoes and Accessories:

- BELT** Black, brown, navy or other neutral color belt. Belts must be worn with pants or shorts that have belt loops. Belts shall not have more than a few inches of excess length.
- SOCKS** Solid white, black, maroon, gray, tan or brown socks, tights, or hose. Socks or hose may not have any designs.
- SHOES** Solid color black, tan/brown, gray, or navy that are cut below the ankle and have a heel or platform height of no more than 2½ inches, measured at the back of the shoe. (Patterned/plaid/print shoes are not permitted, metallic colors are not permitted). Boots, clogs, cros, sandals, etc. are not permitted. Open-toed or open-heeled footwear may not be worn. Moccasins or moccasin style shoes may not be worn. Shoes should be tied snugly, using all eyelets.
- SNEAKERS** Conventional style sneakers that are clean and in good condition. Sneakers should be tied snugly, using all eyelets.
- HAIR** Hair color must be complementary to your natural color, absolutely no unnatural hair colors or outlandish hairstyles. Eyes must be visible. Students may not make drastic changes to hair color (extremely light to dark or the reverse.) Highlights, lowlights or streaks that drastically differ in from your primary hair color are not permitted.
- Small feathers, bows, clips, and headbands that do not cause a distraction are permitted.
- In addition to the above guidelines, students may not have any unnatural colors under their normal colors, such as pink or red. Highlights also may not be extreme and/or bleached in contrast to the normal hair color. The “ombre” look is also not acceptable. Ombre is defined as hair color fading from dark to light, or vice versa.*
- If a student chooses to be creative with their hair color and/or style over the summer, there is no acceptable “grow out” period. All hair color and/or styles must be restored to a natural look and follow the guidelines presented in the Handbook before the first day of school*
- JEWELRY** Only accepted earrings are posts or ½ inch long hoops. **Bars or gages are not permitted.** Maximum of two earrings per ear. A silver or gold dress necklace that is at least 16 inches in length is permitted. One bracelet per arm - including message bracelets. Only gold and silver jewelry is permissible. Plastic, leather, hemp/jute, beads and other materials other than gold or silver are not permitted. No anklets. No excessive jewelry. No visible tattoos. Any facial or visible body piercing is not acceptable. Tongue piercing is unacceptable. Band-aids worn over piercings are unacceptable. Plastic spacers worn in facial piercings are unacceptable.
- NAILS** Nail polish may be worn, but black is not permitted. Fake fingernails are not permitted.
- MAKE-UP** Make-up may be worn, but not in excess. Only natural colors are permitted.
- GROOMING** Keep a neat and clean appearance at all times. Visible tattoos (fake or real) are not acceptable. Writing or drawing on the skin is not permitted.

No stickers, pins or buttons may be worn on the uniform – permission for certain items may be granted by the administration

BOYS

Basic Uniform Components

- SHIRT** Solid white short-sleeve or long-sleeve front button-down dress shirt (Oxford type collar). Shirts must be buttoned all the way and tucked in at all times. Dress shirts are required from October 16 through April 14.
- POLO** Solid white short-sleeve or long-sleeve polo. Polos must be tucked in at all times. Polo shirts may be worn from April 15 through October 15.
- NECKTIE** Traditional ties that are of good taste. Ties should be snug to the collar, with the shirt's top button buttoned. The length of the tie shall be to the belt, give or take an inch. Ties must be properly tied. Ties are required from October 16 through April 14.
- SHORTS** Khaki dress shorts. Shorts cannot have outside pockets. Shorts should be no more than two inches above the knee or one inch below the knee. Shorts may be worn from April 15 through October 15.
- PANTS** Khaki dress pants. Only dress pants are permitted – no outside sewn or cargo pockets, heavy seams, rivets, or form fitting styles.

Uniform Options:

- SWEATER** Maroon v-neck sweater from Flynn & O'Hara.
- SWEATSHIRT** Solid maroon sweatshirt with ECCSS logo. Can be worn all year. Item will be available for sale from the ECCSS PTO.
- QUARTER-ZIP** Solid maroon quarter-zip with the ECCSS logo. Can be worn all year. Item will be available for sale from the ECCSS PTO. Quarter zips must be worn with the zipper down so that the dress shirt and tie are visible.

Shoes and Accessories

- BELT** Black, brown, or other neutral color belt. Belts must be worn with pants or shorts that have belt loops. Belts shall not have more than a few inches of excess length.
- SOCKS** Solid white, black, navy, gray, tan or brown socks. No designs are permitted.
- SHOES** Solid black, tan/ brown, gray or navy shoes that are cut below the ankle. and do not have patterns. Casual shoes like "Hey Dude" styles are permitted. Moccasins or moccasin style shoes may not be worn. Shoes should be tied snugly, using all eyelets.
- SNEAKERS** Conventional style sneakers that are clean and in good condition. Sneakers should be tied snugly, using all eyelets.

HAIR Hair should be kept neat and clean at all times. Hair must be CUT above the collar, ears, and above the brow. Hair is not permitted to be “greased or slicked” back. No outlandish hairstyles: shaving of the head shorter than ¼ inch, designs, steps or visible lines are not permitted. Students may not make drastic changes to hair color (extremely light to dark or the reverse.) Highlights, lowlights or steaks that drastically differ in from your primary hair color are not permitted.

If a student chooses to be creative with their hair color and/or style over the summer, there is no acceptable “grow out” period. All hair color and/or styles must be restored to a natural look and follow the guidelines presented in the Handbook before the first day of school.

JEWELRY **Earrings, bars or gages are not permitted.** A silver or gold dress chain that is at least 16 inches in length is permitted. One bracelet per arm - including message bracelets. Only gold and silver jewelry is permissible. Plastic, leather, hemp/jute, beads and other materials other than gold or silver are not permitted. No anklets. No excessive jewelry. No visible tattoos. Any facial or visible body piercing is not acceptable. Tongue piercing is unacceptable. Band-aids worn over piercings are unacceptable. Plastic spacers worn in facial piercings are unacceptable.

HATS Hats are to be removed in the building.

GROOMING Keep a neat and clean appearance at all times.
Boys must be clean shaven.
Visible tattoos (fake or real) are not acceptable.
Writing or drawing on the skin is not permitted.

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GYM UNIFORM **(BOYS & GIRLS)**

SHIRTS Any Crusader T-Shirt (a shirt that has ECC or Crusaders written on it), not necessarily maroon or gold. (Example: a grey t-shirt that says Crusader Basketball on it would be acceptable.)
or

Gold T-shirt with any ECCHS/ECCSS logo.

The ECCSS PTO will have a gym class T-shirt available for purchase.

SHORTS/PANTS Black shorts, wind pants or sweatpants. Shorts, wind pants or sweatpants may have stripes along the side. No snaps or zippers on the wind pants. No wording of any kind across the seat of the wind pants.

SNEAKERS

Athletic sneakers with non-marking soles. Sneakers must fit securely. "Casual Sneakers" like Hey Dude sneakers that do not tie securely are not permitted for PE class.