ST. JAMES ACADEMY UNIFORM POLICY & LIST

The uniform policy at St. James Academy is an expression of classic good taste with a long tradition of excellence. Wearing a uniform is a privilege and sets a standard for appropriate behavior. Parents are strongly encouraged to maintain student uniforms in a good state of repair!

Uniforms for boys and girls may be purchased through:

8868 Waltham Woods Road
Parkville, MD 21234
410-828-4709 (store)
800-441-4122 (by phone)

Girls in Grades PreKindergarten – 5
1. Navy plaid jumper with white Peter Pan collar blouse, long or short sleeves, or plain white turtleneck with SJA monogram
2. Navy SJA cardigan or navy crewneck/hooded SJA sweatshirt
3. Navy tights, navy knee-highs, navy leggings, or white crew socks to cover ankles; navy bloomers, navy leggings, SJA boxers, or gym shorts must be worn under jumper
4. PreKindergarten- Fifth Grade: All white or all Navy Blue Tennis Shoes daily or Tan tie Oxford Buck suede dress shoes (below the ankle) with smooth soles
5. Optional for cold weather: navy leggings or SJA sweatpants may be worn to and from school and during recess, but may not be worn in the classroom
6. Optional for hot weather in September through mid-October and mid-April through June: khaki shorts, brown leather belt. Peter Pan collar blouse or white knit SJA polo (short-sleeved), and white crew socks
7. Gym uniforms are not required for PreKindergarten or Kindergarten, however it is optional for PreKindergarteners and Kindergarteners to wear the SJA gym uniform on Fridays only

Boys in Grades PreKindergarten – 5
1. Khaki pants - light tan, permanent press, with white SJA turtleneck or white knit SJA polo shirt (long or short sleeves) - shirts are to be tucked in at all times
2. Navy V-neck SJA sweater or navy crewneck/hooded SJA sweatshirt or fleece
3. Brown leather belt (Optional for Kindergarten through January) PreKindergarten students should not wear a belt
4. White or navy socks to cover ankles
5. PreKindergarten- Fifth Grade All White or All Navy Blue Tennis Shoes daily or Tan tie Oxford Buck suede dress shoes (below the ankle) with smooth soles
6. Optional for hot weather in September through mid-October and mid-April through June - Khaki, pleated shorts (no cargo or baggy shorts) with white SJA polo shirt (short-sleeved) and white crew socks to cover ankles
7. Gym uniforms are not required for PreKindergarten or Kindergarten, however it is optional for PreKindergarteners and Kindergarteners to wear the SJA gym uniform on Fridays only

Girls in Grades 6 - 8
1. Navy plaid skirt - hemmed to a conservative length (measure no more than 3” above the knee) with yellow Oxford blouse, yellow SJA knit blouse, or white SJA turtleneck
2. Navy or red SJA cardigan sweater, navy crewneck/hooded SJA sweatshirt or hooded SJA athletic jacket
3. Navy tights, navy knee-highs, navy leggings, or SJA sweatpants or athletic pants; navy bloomers or SJA gym shorts must be worn under skirt; girls may wear white crew socks to cover ankles
4. All White or all Navy Blue Tennis Shoes or Tan tie Oxford Buck suede dress shoes (below the ankle) with smooth soles
5. Optional for hot weather in September through mid-October and mid-April through June – Khaki shorts or skorts, brown leather belt, navy or red SJA polo and white crew socks to cover ankles

Boys in Grades 6 – 8
1. Khaki twill trousers with pastel blue, pink, or yellow Oxford dress shirts (long or short sleeved) - shirts must be tucked in at all times
2. Navy or red SJA cardigan sweater, navy crewneck/hooded SJA sweatshirt, or hooded SJA athletic jacket
3. Brown leather belt
4. Tie (uniform regimental and other conservative choice), brown leather belt, navy or white socks to cover ankles. (Regimental tie must be worn for pictures, special occasions, and graduation)
5. All White or all Navy Blue Tennis Shoes or Tan tie Oxford Buck suede dress shoes (below the ankle) with smooth soles
6. Optional for hot weather in September through mid-October and mid-April through June- Khaki shorts (no cargo or baggy shorts), brown leather belt, navy or red SJA polo shirt and white crew socks to cover ankles

ALL ITEMS OF CLOTHING SHOULD BE CLEARLY MARKED WITH STUDENT'S NAME.

Casual Dress Days
Several times each year, casual dress is granted to the student body as a fundraising effort of the Student Council. Wearing casual dress is a privilege. Students must dress conservatively - no short skirts/shorts, costume dress, or sloppy clothing is permitted.

Clothing depicting the use of alcohol or drugs is not permitted. Hats, jewelry, and sandals are not permitted on casual dress days. Please be assured that this privilege carries with it the same dress, jewelry, makeup, and behavior guidelines as a normal school day.

JEWELRY AND COSMETICS

The following guidelines apply to the use of jewelry and cosmetics:
- Watches are permitted; no bracelets, necklaces, or multiple rings.
- Girls may wear post earrings only, no hoops or drops (actual earring size should be no larger than a dime).
- As a statement of faith, crosses on a necklace may be worn by boys and girls. For safety, these necklaces must be removed during gym and athletics. Should you permit your child to wear a cross in school, you thereby agree to assume the responsibility for any resulting loss or damage. Kindly use parental discretion in guiding your child's decision.
- Use of cosmetic make-up and/or nail polish during school hours (field trips included) is not acceptable. The exception to this rule would be school plays, presentations, etc.

HAIR

Hair should be maintained in a conservative style. No etchings, shavings, dyes, or extreme haircuts or styles are permitted. Boys’ hair should be above the eyebrows and collars. No hats may be worn by any student within the building. Uniform hair ornaments for girls are available in the School Store. Other small hair ornaments of any kind may be worn.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION UNIFORMS

PreKindergarten and Kindergarten students need only a pair of white athletic shoes (labeled). Soles must be identified by the manufacturer as non-marking. No skateboarding shoes.

Students in First - Grade 5 need SJA navy blue gym shorts, red SJA t-shirts, SJA sweatsuits and a pair of athletic shoes (soles must be identified by the manufacturer as non-marking). No skateboarding shoes are permitted. SJA navy blue hooded sweatshirts may be worn indoors only with hood down. All items will be available through uniform companies (except shoes).

Middle School students wear red microshorts and navy t-shirts ordered through Ace Sportswear. No skateboarding shoes are permitted.

The School Store carries a supply of book bags, totes, and many other school needs. The hours of operation are posted on the SJA website and store door.

All items of physical education clothing should be clearly marked with student's name on the outside for easy identification and avoidance of mix-ups.