#### E. UNIFORMS

Uniforms are mandatory at Summerville Catholic School to reflect the high standards and values we place on a proper educational atmosphere. The purpose is also to unify in spirit and to present a visual symbol of our united student body. Therefore, the breaking of uniform code is viewed as disruptive not only in disobedience of dress code, but also as a disregard in the "esprit de corps" of the school. Final decision regarding the school uniform rest with the principal/administration.

#### **GENERAL EXPECTATIONS**

- All students are expected to dress and groom themselves neatly. No perfume or cologne is allowed.
- The uniform should be kept neat and clean, with shirts tucked in at all times though it is understandable that our younger students may struggle with this expectation. Torn or ripped clothing is not permitted.
- A modest cross or religious medallion may be worn around the neck. No rings are permitted. Students may wear one simple bracelet per wrist. Hair ties are considered bracelets when worn on the wrist.
- Drawing on self, body art, and/or temporary tattoos are not permitted.
- Hair must be brushed and kept neat. Strange, faddish, or unnatural colored hair or hairstyles may not be worn. Students will be asked to correct any hairstyle or hair color that is considered inappropriate. They will have one week to take care of any needed corrections.
- Hair must be kept neat and MUST be out of the face and eyes.
- Earrings may only be worn by girls with pierced ears. Girls with pierced ears may wear one stud earring or small hoop on the lower lobe of each ear. For safety reasons, long dangling earrings are not permitted. Boys are not permitted to wear any type of earring.
- No hats are to be worn in the building except on designated days.
- Underwear, undergarments, and t-shirts of any type must be covered at all times. Undergarments that can be visible through a shirt should always be white with no print or logos.
- Traditional SCS sweatshirt or current athletic team sweatshirts may be worn.
- No sports sweatshirts may be worn to Mass but the traditional, gray SCS sweatshirt may be worn
- Solid white or navy blue cardigan, pullover, or vest sweater may be worn (no monogram required).
- Students must maintain uniform standard during the entire school day.

#### **GIRLS' UNIFORMS**

#### SHIRTS

- Collared white or hunter green knit, polo-style shirt with school monogram (monogram is not needed if worn under a jumper)
- Knit shirts may be short or long-sleeve
- White woven shirt with Peter Pan collar and a school monogram (unless worn under a jumper)
- Solid white turtlenecks under the required uniform are appropriate during cooler weather

#### SKORTS/SKIRTS

- K3-K5: a knee-length solid navy skort
- 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>: No skorts or skirts permitted
- 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>: knee-length plaid or navy skirt
- \*Rolling over the waist of the skirt is not permitted.
- \*Skirts and skorts must be no shorter than the top of the kneecap
- \*For modesty reasons, shorts in navy or black must be worn under all skirts.

#### **JUMPERS**

- **K3-3**<sup>rd</sup>: a knee-length plaid jumper
- \*Jumpers must be no shorter than the top of the kneecap
- \*For modesty reasons, shorts in navy or black must be worn under all jumpers.

# SHORTS/PANTS/BELTS

- Navy blue shorts or slacks with belt loops
- Belts must be solid black, brown, navy, or plaid and must be visible. Belts are required for grades 2-8 and are recommended for younger grades.
- \*Shorts and pants should be straight-leg, flat front, and uniform style.
- \*Shorts must be no shorter than the top of the knee cap
- \*Cargo shorts and pants are not permitted.
- \*Shorts and pants must be worn at the natural waist.

#### SHOES/SOCKS

- Socks must be visible in the shoe and solid navy, hunter green, black, or white in color (any type of logo may not be visible)
- Knee socks and footed tights should be black, white, hunter green, or navy
- Shoes must be predominantly white, black, brown, tan, navy or natural leather colors.
  Small striping or logos and soles may be other colors as long as the shoe is mostly one of the approved colors
- Traditional saddle shoes may be worn
- Boots and high-top shoes are not permitted
- Sandals, Crocs, light-up, open back, or open-toed shoes are strictly forbidden

# GENERAL

- Hair accessories such as ribbons, bows, clips, headbands, scrunchies, and barrettes must be simple and not distracting. Any hair accessory deemed inappropriate will need to be removed.
- Make-up, nail polish, fake fingernails or French manicures, excessive jewelry, and any other unauthorized accessories are not allowed.
- A necklace with a cross or religious medal may be worn.
- Holes or faded clothes must be repaired/replaced
- Baggy styles are not permitted
- Any accessory deemed distraction or excessive will not be permitted.

# **BOYS' UNIFORMS**

# HAIR

 Boys' hair must be kept neat. Hair should not cover the top of the ears or shirt collar. Hair must not hang in the face or eyes. Bangs must be above the eyebrows.

# **SHIRTS**

- Collared white or hunter green knit, polo-style shirt with school monogram
- Knit shirts may be short or long-sleeve
- White Oxford, buttondown shirt with monogram is acceptable
- Solid white turtlenecks under the required uniform are appropriate during cooler weather
- Any undershirts must be white with no prints or logos

# SHORTS/PANTS/BELTS

- Plain navy uniform shorts or slacks with belt loops
- Belts must be solid black, brown, navy, or plaid and must be visible. Belts are required for grades 2-8 and are recommended for younger grades.
- \*Shorts and pants should be straight-leg, flat front, and uniform style.
- \*Shorts must be no shorter than the top of the kneecap
- \*Cargo shorts and pants are not permitted.
- \*Shorts and pants must be worn at the natural waist.

# SHOES/SOCKS

- Socks must be visible in the shoe and solid navy, hunter green, black, or white in color (any type of logo may not be visible)
- Shoes must be predominantly white, black, brown, tan, navy or natural leather colors. Striping and soles may be other colors as long as the shoe is mostly one of the approved colors
- Boots and high-top shoes are not permitted
- Sandals, Crocs, lightup, open back, or open-toed shoes are strictly forbidden

# **GENERAL**

- Holes or faded clothes must be repaired/replaced
- Baggy styles are not permitted

#### MASS DAY UNIFORM

In an effort to come to the Table of the Lord in our "Sunday Best" and be a unified community, every student should wear the green SCS polo shirt on Mass days. SCS Sports hoodies are not to be worn during Mass.

# DRESS CODE / PHYSICAL EDUCATION UNIFORM

PE uniforms must be purchased through the school office, directed to the attention of Ms. Fox.

- Grades K- through 4 may wear their PE shirt (which includes the current year's Fun Run shirt) to school on their PE day, along with their uniform. Students in these grades are not required to change for PE. Sneakers/tennis shoes (with plain laces or Velcro) must also be worn for PE.
- Grades 5 through 8 must wear a white, Summerville Catholic School PE shirt in place of their uniform shirt or blouse on their assigned PE day. Students may wear their PE shorts to school on PE day or they may change into PE shorts before class.

#### **TAG DAY**

On the first Friday of each month, students are allowed to wear non-uniform clothing in place of their uniform for a fee of 50 cents or \$5.00 for the entire year. All monies collected for Tag Day are donated to a charitable organization.

As a Catholic community, our attire should reflect modesty. Teachers and administrative have the final decision on the appropriateness of attire.

If students wear clothing deemed inappropriate, they will be told to call home for a change of clothing.

Students having to change will lose their Tag Day privilege for the following month. A second TAG Day infraction will cause students to lose this privilege for the remainder of the year.

#### Examples of inappropriate clothing are, but are not limited to:

- Tops which are sleeveless, which do not cover the entire shoulder, or which have spaghetti straps
- Backless shirts/dresses that cover less than a uniform shirt
- Pajama tops or bottoms (except on designated spirit days or other "fun" days as deemed by the teacher and administration)
- Leggings, jeggings, yoga pants
- Pants, shorts, and tops that are too tight; clothing should be loose fitting.
- Baggy styles are not permitted
- Shirts with a low scooped neckline
- Shirts not long enough to cover the waist and hips. When the shirt is tucked in and arms are raised above the head, the shirt should not come untucked.
- Shirts with inappropriate logos/pictures
- Skirts or shorts not appropriate length. Appropriate length is defined as touching the top of the kneecap when standing
- Shoes with high heels, open backs or toes, or sandals
- Nail polish, makeup, or excessive jewelry