

**AVE MARIA CATHOLIC SCHOOL 2023-2024
GRADES K-5: UNIFORM POLICY & GUIDELINES**

GENERAL UNIFORM ATTIRE: GRADES K-5

Item	Color	Purchased At
All: polo shirts - short/long sleeve <i>with logo**</i>	Red	Educational Outfitters
All: polo shirts - short/long sleeve and PLAIN* - New logo crest is OPTIONAL	White	Anywhere If logo is added-ONLY at Educational Outfitters
All: turtleneck shirts long sleeve - NO mock turtlenecks and PLAIN* - OPTIONAL ITEM	White	Anywhere If logo is added-ONLY at Educational Outfitters
All: cardigans, fleece vests, or sweater vests - (no pockets on vests) <i>must have logo**</i> - OPTIONAL ITEM	Red	Educational Outfitters
All: slacks - flat fronts or pleated	Navy	Educational Outfitters
All: walking shorts - knee length (<i>1st & 3rd trimester only</i>)	Navy	Educational Outfitters
All: belts - no decorations (3 rd grade and up)	Black leather	Anywhere
Girls: skorts - knee length. Must be full "skirt" all around.	Navy with tabs	Educational Outfitters
Girls: Peter Pan blouses or Oxford shirts - short/long sleeve with button down collar and PLAIN*	White	Anywhere
Girls: Crew socks & tights - plain, no logos, no decorations, crew socks MUST cover ankle bone	White, red, or navy dress crew/knee high/tights, NO THIGH HIGHS	Anywhere- NO logos/embellishments School plaid ruffle -OK-Educational Outfitters
Girls: shoes (tennis shoe or dress shoe) - 1" heels or less, BLACK ONLY	ALL black shoe and shoelaces. Closed-in shoe, NO NAP, NO CROCS, NO ANKLE OR TALL BOOTS	Anywhere
Girls: hair bands/bows	Red, black, navy, white, Wilson Plaid	Educational Outfitters (Plaid), Anywhere (Solid)
Girls: ties - cross-over tie (worn only on Mass day)	Wilson plaid	Educational Outfitters
Boys: oxford shirts - short/long sleeve with button down collar and PLAIN*	White	Anywhere
Boys: Crew socks - plain, no logos, MUST cover ankle bone	Navy, red, or black dress crew	Anywhere-NO logos/embellishments
Boys: shoes (tennis shoe or dress shoe) BLACK ONLY	ALL black shoe and shoelaces. Closed-in shoe, NO NAP, NO CROCS, NO ANKLE OR TALL BOOTS	Anywhere
Boys: ties (worn only on Mass day)	Wilson plaid-with/without clip/ or bowtie	Educational Outfitters

CO-ED GYM DAY UNIFORM ATTIRE: GRADES K-5 ALL

Item	Color	Purchased At
Gym t-shirts - short/long sleeve <i>with new white logo**</i>	Short Sleeve-Red/Long Sleeve-Blue	Educational Outfitters
Gym shorts/sweatpants <i>with logo**</i> - shorts MUST be knee length (<i>shorts - 1st & 3rd trimester only</i>)	Navy (no outside pockets), short must be knee length	Educational Outfitters
Gym sweatshirts <i>with new white logo**</i> - OPTIONAL ITEM	Navy	Educational Outfitters
Crew Socks -plain, no logos (MUST cover ankle bone)	White-NO THIGH HIGHS	Anywhere-NO logos/embellishments
Gym shoes - Athletic tennis shoe that fastens with laces or velcro	Athletic, ALL white, non-marking soles, white shoelaces	Anywhere

GIRLS MASS DAY UNIFORM ATTIRE: GRADES K-5 GIRLS

Item	Color	Purchased At
Peter Pan blouses or Oxford shirts - short/long sleeve with button down collar and PLAIN*	White	Anywhere
Plaid Jumpers - knee length (w/ navy shorts under)	Wilson plaid	Educational Outfitters
Plaid Skirt (3-4-5 optional) w/navy shorts under	Wilson plaid	Educational Outfitters
Cardigans or sweater vests - (no pockets on vests) <i>with logo**</i> - OPTIONAL ITEM	Red	Educational Outfitters
Crew Socks & tights - plain, no logos, no decorations, crew socks MUST cover ankle bone	White, red, or navy dress crew/knee high/tights, NO THIGH HIGHS	Anywhere- NO logos/embellishments School plaid ruffle -OK-Educational Outfitters
Shoes - (tennis shoe or dress shoe) 1" heels or less, very small ornamentation will be allowed BLACK ONLY Student may choose to wear black tennis shoe or black dress shoe for Mass.	ALL black shoe and shoelaces. Closed-in shoe, NO NAP, NO CROCS, NO ANKLE OR TALL BOOTS	Anywhere
Hair bands/bows	Red, black, navy, white, Wilson Plaid	Educational Outfitters (Plaid), Anywhere (Solid)
Ties - cross-over tie	Wilson plaid	Educational Outfitters

BOYS MASS DAY UNIFORM ATTIRE: GRADES K-5 BOYS

Item	Color	Purchased At
Oxford shirts - short/long sleeve with button down collar and PLAIN*	White	Anywhere

Slacks - flat fronts or pleated. No Shorts.	Navy	Educational Outfitters Uniform or Educational Outfitters
Cardigans or sweater vests - (no pockets on vests) <i>with logo**</i> - OPTIONAL ITEM	Red	Educational Outfitters
Crew Socks – plain, no logos, MUST cover ankle bone	Navy or black dress crew	Anywhere- NO logos/embellishments
Shoes (tennis shoe or dress shoe) BLACK ONLY. Student may choose to wear black tennis shoe or black dress shoe for Mass.	ALL black shoe and shoelaces. Closed-in shoe, NO NAP, NO CROCS, NO ANKLE OR TALL BOOTS	Anywhere
Belts - no decorations (3 rd grade and up)	Black leather	Anywhere
Ties	Wilson plaid-with/without clip/ or bowtie	Educational Outfitters or Educational Outfitters

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**AVE MARIA CATHOLIC SCHOOL 2023-2024
MIDDLE SCHOOL: UNIFORM POLICY & GUIDELINES**

GENERAL UNIFORM ATTIRE: GRADES 6-8

Item	Color	Purchased At
All: polo shirts - short/long sleeve <i>with logo**</i>	Navy	Educational Outfitters
All: polo shirts - short/long sleeve and PLAIN* - New logo crest is OPTIONAL	White	Anywhere If logo is added-ONLY Educational Outfitters
All: turtleneck shirts long sleeve - NO mock turtlenecks and PLAIN* - OPTIONAL ITEM	White	Anywhere
All: cardigans, fleece vests, or sweater vests – (no pockets on vests) <i>must have logo**</i> - OPTIONAL ITEM	Navy	Educational Outfitters
All: slacks - flat fronts or pleated	Khaki-NO STONE, NO LOW RISE	Educational Outfitters
All: walking shorts - knee length (1 st & 3 rd trimester only)	Khaki-NO STONE, NO LOW RISE	Educational Outfitters
All: belts - no decorations	Black leather	Anywhere
Girls: skirts - knee length (w/ navy shorts under)	Wilson plaid	Educational Outfitters
Girls: skorts - knee length	Khaki-NO STONE, with tabs	Educational Outfitters
Girls: Peter Pan blouses or Oxford shirts - short/long sleeve with button down collar and PLAIN*	White	Anywhere
Girls: Crew socks & tights - plain, no logos, no decorations, crew socks MUST cover ankle bone	White, navy, or khaki dress crew/knee high/tights , NO THIGH HIGHS	Anywhere- NO logos/embellishments
Girls: shoes - (tennis shoe or dress shoe) 1" heels or less, very small ornamentation will be allowed BLACK ONLY	ALL black shoe and shoelaces. Closed-in shoe, NO NAP, NO CROCS, NO ANKLE OR TALL BOOTS	Anywhere
Girls: hair bands/bows	Red, black, navy, white, Wilson Plaid	Educational Outfitters or Educational Outfitters (Plaid), Anywhere (Solid)
Girls: ties - cross-over tie (worn only on Mass day)	Navy	Educational Outfitters or Educational Outfitters
Boys: oxford shirts - short/long sleeve with button down collar and PLAIN*	White	Anywhere
Boys: Crew socks – plain, no logos, MUST cover ankle bone	Navy, black, or khaki dress crew	Anywhere- NO logos/embellishments
Boys: shoes (tennis shoe or dress shoe) BLACK ONLY	ALL black shoe and shoelaces. Closed-in shoe, NO NAP, NO CROCS, NO ANKLE OR TALL BOOTS	Anywhere
Boys: ties (worn only on Mass day)	Navy, with/without clip/or bowtie	Educational Outfitters or Educational Outfitters

CO-ED GYM DAY UNIFORM ATTIRE: GRADES 6-8 ALL

Item	Color	Purchased At
Gym t-shirts - short/long sleeve <i>with new white logo**</i>	Short Sleeve-Red/Long Sleeve-Blue	Educational Outfitters
Gym shorts/sweatpants <i>with logo**</i> - shorts MUST be knee length (<i>shorts - 1st & 3rd trimester only</i>)	Navy (no outside pockets), short must be knee length, cotton or nylon	Educational Outfitters
Gym sweatshirts <i>with new white logo**</i> - OPTIONAL ITEM	Navy	Educational Outfitters
Crew Socks – plain, no logos (MUST cover ankle bone)	White-NO THIGH HIGHS	Anywhere- NO logos/embellishments
Gym shoes	Athletic, ALL white, non-marking soles, white shoelaces	Anywhere

GIRLS MASS DAY UNIFORM ATTIRE: GRADES 6-8 GIRLS

Item	Color	Purchased At
Peter Pan blouses or Oxford shirts - short/long sleeve with button down collar and PLAIN*	White	Anywhere
Skirts - knee length (w/ navy shorts under)	Wilson plaid	Educational Outfitters or Educational Outfitters
Cardigans or sweater vests - (no pockets on vests) <i>with logo**</i> - OPTIONAL ITEM	Navy	Educational Outfitters
Crew socks & tights - plain, no logos, no decorations, crew socks MUST cover ankle bone	White, navy or khaki dress crew/knee high/tights, NO THIGH HIGHS	Anywhere- NO logos/embellishments

Shoes - (tennis shoe or dress shoe) 1" heels or less, very small ornamentation will be allowed BLACK ONLY . Student may choose to wear black tennis shoe or black dress shoe for Mass.	All Black leather or All black patent ONLY - closed-in shoe, NO NAP, NO SUEDE, NO CROCS	Anywhere
Hair bands/bows	Red, black, navy, white, Wilson Plaid	Educational Outfitters or Educational Outfitters (Plaid), Anywhere (Solid)
Ties - cross-over tie	Navy	Educational Outfitters or Educational Outfitters

BOYS MASS DAY UNIFORM ATTIRE: GRADES 6-8 BOYS

Item	Color	Purchased At
Oxford shirts - short/long sleeve with button down collar and PLAIN*	White	Anywhere
Slacks - flat fronts or pleated. No Shorts.	Khaki – NO STONE, NO LOW RISE	Educational Outfitters or Educational Outfitters
Cardigans or sweater vests - (no pockets on vests) with logo** - OPTIONAL ITEM	Navy	Educational Outfitters
Crew socks – plain, no logos, MUST cover ankle bone	Navy, black, or khaki dress crew	Anywhere- NO logos/embellishments
Shoes (tennis shoe or loafer) BLACK ONLY . Student may choose to wear black tennis shoe or black dress shoe for Mass.	All Black leather ONLY - closed-in shoe, NO NAP, NO SUEDE, NO CROCS	Anywhere
Belts - no decorations	Black leather	Anywhere
Ties	Navy, with/without clip/or bowtie	Educational Outfitters or Educational Outfitters

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2023-2024 Additional Uniform and Dress Code Guidelines

All students in grades K-8 are required to wear the “approved” school uniform beginning the first day of school and each school day thereafter unless parents are notified otherwise through the AMCS Herald, FACTS, via email, or other written notice from the school office or classroom teacher. All uniforms must be clean, fitted appropriately, and in good repair (no holes, discolored, etc.)

The following AMCS guidelines apply:

- 1) **BLACK BELTS:** Must be worn, girls and boys. Not just Mass days but EVERYDAY for grades 3rd – 8th. The exception will be gym days.
- 2) **NO** make-up, **NO** perfume, **NO** cologne, **NO** tattoos (permanent or temporary).
- 3) **NO DIP, GEL, artificial or fake nails. NO designs or embellishments. NO pointed or “almond” shaping. K - 8th no nail polish.** Nails may not be longer than the very tip of the finger. Nails must be clean, trimmed in a square or rounded fashion.
- 4) **SHORTS UNDER SKIRTS/JUMPERS:** Navy bike shorts or solid navy shorts may be worn under skirts and jumpers as long as they CANNOT be seen when girls are standing. Solid navy shorts/bike shorts can be purchased anywhere, including Educational Outfitters.
- 5) **GYM DAY:** Gym t-shirt (short/long sleeve), shorts, and sweatpants **must have logo and be shirts tucked in.**
- 5) **JEWELRY:**
 - a) **Girls:** Studs only. One earring per ear lobe only (no cartilage). **Boys:** NO earrings.
 - b) **NO OTHER BODY PIERCINGS OF ANY KIND**
 - c) **NECKLACES:** One Religious necklace and medical necklaces **ONLY**
 - d) **RINGS, BRACELETS, WATCHES:** Medical bracelets only, **NO rings** (purity rings may be approved by the principal), ONE watch (**NO SMART WATCHES**). **NO FITBITS**. ONE 1-piece wrist band allowed for limited causes and must be pre-approved by the principal. No silly bands, multi-rubber band bracelets, etc.
 - e) **HAIR ACCESSORIES:** No feathers, big, dangly bows or ribbons. **Hairbands/scrunchies may not be worn as jewelry.**
- 6) **SHOES/SHOELACES:** Please keep shoes polished and clean. Shoelaces must not be ornamental and must match color to shoe.
 - a) **TENNIS OR DRESS SHOE:** Black ONLY, NO nap, NO suede, NO Crocs shoelaces MUST also be black.
 - b) **GYM DAY:** Athletic shoes MUST be **ALL WHITE/and have non-marking soles** with no outlandish styles, colors or lights, roller blades, elevated heights, etc. When in doubt-ask administrator!
 - c) **NOT PERMITTED:** NO OPEN SHOES OF ANY KIND including flips flops, sandals, sling backs, “crocs” and clog style shoes are unacceptable.
- 7) **PERSONAL HYGIENE:** Hair should be clean and neatly combed. Please ensure your child is practicing good personal hygiene at home.
 - d) **GIRLS:** Use approved hair bands/bows. Keep hair out of the face and eyes so it does not create a learning distraction.
 - e) **BOYS:** Hair should be short traditional styles, NO shaved areas/designs, cannot touch the collar, trimmed above ears and eyebrows. Hair length/ Sideburns not to exceed the bottom of the ear lobe. No Mullets. No spiked hair! Boys need to be completely clean shaven.
 - f) **BOTH BOYS AND GIRLS:** No outlandish hairstyles including but not limited to Mohawks, shaved styles,

etc. The new style for boys is a textured haircut hairstyle with a longer layer on top. **This style may be acceptable IF** layers are smoothly feathered in and the top layer is not too long. When in doubt please consult with administration. ABSOLUTELY NO HIGHLIGHTING & HAIR DYES OF ANY COLOR AND OF ANY KIND INCLUDING NO SUN-IN NATURAL HIGHLIGHTS, ETC. **Students will NOT be allowed to class until it is completely rectified.**

- 8) **UNDERGARMENTS: NO visible undergarments.** Including compression garments. All should be white/including undershirt & **MUST** be tucked in.
- 9) **PANTS/SHORTS/SKORTS:** For middle school (grades 6-8) KHAKI is a specific color! **MUST** be khaki and not the lighter color of STONE. All pants, shorts, and skorts must sit at the waist and not be sagging/LOW-RISE fit.
- 10) **TURTLE-NECKS:** Only white will be allowed. No mock t-necks, only full t-necks of cotton blend.
- 11) **HOODIE SWEATSHIRTS/JACKETS:** SPIRIT WEAR in classroom. Must be removed before Mass. If warmth is needed, please wear uniform fleece vests, sweater vests, cardigans, or on your gym days, the gym day sweatshirt. **ALL CLOTHING MUST BE APPROPRIATELY SIZED FOR YOUR CHILD. PANTS AND SHORTS MAY NOT BE WORN BAGGY/SAGGING.**
- 12) **NO SNOW BOOTS IN MASS or in class:** Please bring a change of shoes when snow boots are necessary.
- 13) **CASUAL DRESS DAY:** Casual Dress day is a casual, non-uniform day if you choose to participate; however, uniforms may be worn. Jeans must be in good repair (no holes or ragged hems). Overalls, corduroy, cargo, joggers and khaki pants, MAY be worn. Leggings are allowed if used as tights under skirt, not under long shirts. **Capris may be worn in 1st & 3rd Trimesters only.** Athletic wear including sweatpants, warm-ups, or spandex MAY NOT be worn. Casual Dress Day guidelines must be followed (Ex: If “Red and Green Day”, students must wear a red or green top only, no other colors or attire is allowed). All other uniform guidelines apply.
- 14) **Educational Outfitters:** Is the **ONLY** approved contracted vendor for Ave Maria apparel **WITH LOGOS!** Please remember they donate back to the school 5% of every item sold, which is used to fund AMCS Athletics.

IMPORTANT: The cooperation of both parents and students is necessary for the success of our Uniform Policy and Dress Code Guidelines. The principal of Ave Maria Catholic School has the final approval of uniform standards. Students who receive three written uniform violations will receive a disciplinary action. If immediate change is not met, the principal may suspend the student from attending classes until a conference is held with parents and the student to discuss a way to correct the dress code violations. Our policy reflects the spirit of Ave Maria Catholic School. If a student or parent even questions the appropriateness of a hair cut or clothing, that in itself should be a sign to the student and family that she/he may be violating the “spirit” of our community. When in doubt, bring your question and/or the article of clothing in advance for approval by the principal.