

**ST. PETER LUTHERAN SCHOOL
SCHAUMBURG, ILLINOIS**

DRESS CODE POLICY

St. Peter Lutheran School is interested in the growth of the whole child including spiritual, intellectual, physical, social, emotional and creative growth. As a Christian community, our school encourages and expects proper speech, dress and manners from its students. We strive to project a distinctive and positive image to each other and to the community.

The purpose of these guidelines is to set a standard of acceptable dress and grooming for St. Peter students. Our goal is to maintain an atmosphere conducive to serious educational pursuits. Within the limits of these guidelines, students have the opportunity to express themselves as unique creations of God through various styles of dress.

The basic consideration for student dress is that clothing should be decent, in good taste, modest, neat and clean and should not be distracting to the learning situation. Clothing should be worn in such a manner as to present a positive Christian image. It is understood that while some types of clothing are appropriate for younger children, that same clothing becomes inappropriate for older children. At all age levels, modesty and presenting a positive Christian image are the important factors when considering student dress for school.

On Chapel days, children are to dress "up". This would include shirts with collars (for the boys). T-shirts, athletic pants/shorts, sweat pants/shorts or blue jeans pants/shorts are not allowed on Chapel days. Our goal is to show respect for God's house and worshipping Him.

General Information: The following are not permitted: Anything that has an overall revealing or suggestive nature, **for example**, clothing with open back or midriffs, spaghetti straps, some tank tops, or muscle shirts. Also not permitted are T-shirts with distasteful pictures, inappropriate cartoon characters, emblems, or slogans, (For example: inappropriate music group pictures, beer or other advertising, suggestive or distasteful wording.), jeans with holes in them; pants with words across the student's bottom, pajama bottoms; shoes or boots which leave marks on the floor, or hats (unless part of a uniform – Cub Scouts, Brownies, Girl Scouts, etc. or special dress day i.e. hat day), or other items as deemed inappropriate by the faculty or administration.

Shorts are allowed when weather permits but must come to mid thigh. Girl's skirts must also come to mid-thigh.

Shoes and socks are required for gym class and recess.

Consequences for Non-Compliance:

First Offense: (Warning) A letter will be sent home alerting parents to the violation made by the student.

Second Offense: Parents will be called, requesting that appropriate clothing be brought to school for the child to change into.

Third Offense: Parents will be called, requesting that appropriate clothing be brought to school for the child to change into. The child will also receive a detention and a meeting between the parents and school personnel will be scheduled to review the dress code policies.

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