

DRESS CODE/UNIFORMS

*Flynn & O'Hara is the approved uniform supplier for Star of the Sea School.
Local address: 1920 Centerville Turnpike, Va. Beach, 479-2100*

The goal at Star of the Sea is to provide an excellent learning environment that is not distracting for students. Students are representatives of Star of the Sea and should be neat and in complete uniform each day. When purchasing items please be sure you are buying the proper size. If clothing does not fit the child properly (too tight, too loose, etc) you will be required to replace the clothing with the proper size.

Uniforms positively affect learning and students accept the responsibility of coming to school prepared each day in the proper uniform. Coming to school out of uniform can reflect on conduct/responsibility grades. If there is a family reason (ex. laundry issues, lost shoes) why a student cannot be in proper uniform, parents may send a note to the teacher to have the student excused for being out of uniform for the day. If a student is not in uniform and does not have a note, a "Uniform Notice" will be completed and sent home. Students with 3 uniform infractions will be required to stay for after school detention until 4:00.

The length of jumpers, skirts and shorts will be strictly enforced. If altering the length of the jumpers, skirts or pants please allow for growth as you will be required to lengthen or replace if there is not enough hem. Skirts should be able to pass the "flamingo test" – when bending the leg up 90° the skirt should touch the back of the leg. Shorts should be the standard length and not altered.

"Hoodie" sweatshirts are not acceptable to be worn during the school day. School crewneck or SOS athletic sweatshirts (during the regular season of their sport) are the only sweatshirts that should be worn with the regular uniform when colder. On dress uniform days, students may not wear sweatshirts, so in colder weather the school sweater should be worn.

Shoes - Except with Physical Education (PE) uniforms, all students in grades K-8 must wear brown or black leather dress shoes that tie or buckle. Vans, Sketchers, Toms and other sport type shoes are not acceptable. Girls may not wear slip-ons, ballerina type shoes or shoes with more than a 1 inch heel. Girls' shoes should have no other decorations. Shoes should have a tie or strap so they are secure. Uniform shoes are now being provided by Flynn and O'Hara Uniforms as an option. **Athletic shoes with PE uniforms may be any color but must be clean, in good condition and supportive for physical activity.**

The principal maintains the final say on what is considered proper length, sizing or proper shoes. If it is determined that a student does not have the proper uniform or shoes, the parents will be notified and will be expected to correct the issue as soon as possible.

Personal Appearance

Boys: Hair must be neatly trimmed. Boy's haircuts should be short with ears, neck and eyebrows showing. Shaggy, surfer styles may be popular but they are not in line with our dress code. It must be combed off the face out of eyes; no rat or pony tails for boys and boys must be clean shaven where applicable. Hair should remain the natural color during the school year. Boys are not permitted to wear earrings.

Girls: No make-up, jewelry, perfume, cologne, colored nail polish (*only clear may be worn*), acrylic, gel or artificial nails. Girls are permitted to wear small modest post earrings (one per ear). The earrings may not extend beyond the earlobe. Hair should be brushed and neat and should remain the natural color during the school year. Head bands and barrettes should be in school colors only – no flowers, bright colors or large hair accessories.

All: No tattoos are permitted (temporary or permanent).
Older students are encouraged to bathe daily and wear deodorant.

Blouses and shirts should be tucked in at all times. Belts should be worn with uniform pants and shorts. Polo shirts should have at least two buttons buttoned.

Uniforms should look neat and clean each day. Worn uniforms with holes or outgrown should be replaced.

<p>K-8 Boys Regular Uniform Navy blue uniform pants White or light blue uniform polo shirt (long /short sleeve) Black/Brown/Navy Belt Navy blue uniform socks Black/Brown Leather Shoes, not canvas (tie only) <i>Optional:</i> Navy blue uniform sweater or SOS School Crewneck Sweatshirt</p>	<p>K-8 Boys Dress Uniform Navy blue uniform pants White dress shirt (long/short sleeve) with school tie Black/Brown/Navy Belt Navy blue uniform socks Black/Brown Leather Shoes, not canvas (tie only) <i>Optional:</i> Navy blue uniform sweater *No sweatshirts may be worn with the dress uniform during the school day.</p>
<p>K-5 Girls Regular Uniform Options Plaid Split front jumper (length must pass the “flamingo test”) White uniform round collar blouse (long/short sleeve) Navy blue uniform knee socks or uniform tights Black/Brown Leather Shoes, not canvas (tie or buckle only) <i>Optional:</i> Navy blue uniform sweater or SOS School Crewneck Sweatshirt OR Navy blue uniform, flat front pants White or light blue uniform polo shirt or white uniform round collar blouse (long/short sleeve) Black/Brown/Navy belt Navy blue uniform socks Black/Brown Leather Shoes, not canvas (tie or buckle only) <i>Optional:</i> Navy blue uniform sweater or SOS School Crewneck Sweatshirt</p>	<p>K-5 Girls Dress Uniform Plaid Split front jumper (length must pass the “flamingo test”) White uniform round collar blouse (long/short sleeve) Navy blue uniform knee socks or uniform tights Black/Brown Leather Shoes, not canvas (tie or buckle only) <i>Optional:</i> Navy blue uniform sweater *No sweatshirts may be worn with the dress uniform during the school day.</p>
<p>Gr. 6-8 Girls Regular Uniform Options Plaid uniform skirt (length must pass the “flamingo test”) White, light blue or navy uniform polo shirt or white oxford button down collar blouse (long/short sleeve) Navy blue uniform knee socks or uniform tights Black/Brown Leather Shoes, not canvas (tie or buckle only) <i>Optional:</i> Navy blue uniform sweater or SOS School Crewneck Sweatshirt</p>	<p>Gr. 6-8 Girls Dress Uniform Plaid uniform skirt (length must pass the “flamingo test”) White oxford button down collar blouse (long/short sleeve) Navy blue uniform knee socks or uniform tights Black/Brown Leather Shoes (tie or buckle only) <i>Optional:</i> Navy blue uniform sweater *No sweatshirts may be worn with the dress uniform during the school day.</p>
<p>Gr. 6-8 Girls Regular Uniform Options continued Navy blue uniform, flat front pants White or light blue uniform polo shirt or white oxford button down collar blouse (long/short sleeve) Black/Brown/navy belt Navy blue uniform socks Black/Brown Leather Shoes, not canvas (tie or buckle only) <i>Optional:</i> Navy blue uniform sweater or SOS School Crewneck Sweatshirt</p>	<p>Gr. 6-8 Girls Regular Uniform Options continued Navy blue uniform, flat front pants White or light blue uniform polo shirt or white oxford button down collar blouse (long/short sleeve) Black/Brown/navy belt Navy blue uniform socks Black/Brown Leather Shoes, not canvas (tie or buckle only) <i>Optional:</i> Navy blue uniform sweater or SOS School Crewneck Sweatshirt</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">OR →</p>	

<p>K-8 Boys Warm Weather Option* Navy blue uniform shorts White or light blue uniform polo shirt Black/Brown/Navy Belt Black/Brown leather shoes, not canvas (tie only) Navy uniform socks or White or black athletic socks</p>	<p>K-8 Girls Warm Weather Option* Navy blue uniform shorts White or light blue uniform polo shirt or white uniform round collar blouse Black/Brown/Navy belt Black/Brown Leather Shoes, not canvas (tie or buckle only) Navy blue uniform socks or White or black athletic socks OR Navy blue uniform skort White or light blue uniform polo shirt or white uniform round collar blouse</p>
<p>K-8 ~ PE Uniform – Nov. 1-Mar. 31 White or Gray PE t-shirt with logo Navy blue uniform sweatpants w/ logo (Students are permitted to wear the PE shorts under the sweatpants) White athletic socks (reach above the ankle) Athletic shoes – any color but clean, in good condition, and supportive for activity <i>Optional:</i> SOS School Crewneck Sweatshirt</p> <p>K-8 ~ PE Uniform Warm Weather Option* Navy blue PE shorts White or Gray PE t-shirt with logo White athletic socks (reach above the ankle) Athletic shoes – any color but clean, in good condition, and supportive for activity</p>	<p>*Warm weather options permitted from the first day of school – Oct. 31 and Apr. 1-the last day of school</p>

Free Dress Guidelines

On days that students are allowed to come to school not in uniform the following guidelines apply:

- Slacks/Jeans are acceptable. They should be neat and clean without any holes. Skin tight, low riding pants, leggings, or yoga pants are not acceptable.
- Skirts must be the same appropriate length as the uniform and pass the “flamingo test”.
- Tanktops, spaghetti straps, low cut tops, strapless are not acceptable. Shirts may not have any inappropriate logos, pictures, or symbols.
- If your child has PE on a free dress day they do not have to change for PE but should wear their PE shoes.
- Parents will be notified to bring a change of clothes if a student comes to school dressed inappropriately.
- These guidelines also apply to after school sponsored functions such as school dances.
- The best rule: **When in doubt, don’t wear it!**
- Students who do not comply with free dress regulations could lose any further dress down privileges for the year.