



GREATER WOONSOCKET
Catholic REGIONAL SCHOOL SYSTEM

DRESS CODE/UNIFORM POLICY

The GWCRS System believes that students and parents assume the prime responsibility for adhering to the uniform policy. We establish rules for school dress to help make the school environment as conducive as possible to Christian education and values. Christian modesty, safety, self-respect, and consideration for others are the premises on which we base these guidelines.

The GWC R S S is dedicated to Catholic education in our communities. As part of our ongoing effort to foster a community spirit the school uniform demonstrates we are all equal in God's eyes, unifies our children, and removes any status brought about by the latest clothing fashion. We ask that the students, with the help of their parents, wear the complete uniform every day and show the unity and school pride the uniform conveys to the community.

The school uniform for **ALL students (Pre-K 3 year olds through grade 8)** attending the Greater Woonsocket Catholic Regional School System schools will consist of the following:

Girls:

- The official school plaid jumper or skirt (knee length) – jumpers are suggested for primary grade girls. *Girls in grades 6, 7 and 8 have the option of an official navy blue skirt which must be purchased from Donnelly's.*
- Shirts: plain, solid color long or short-sleeved white blouse, turtleneck, or 2 or 3 button pullover with collar (optional – polo shirts may be ordered through Donnelly's with the school name embroidered). Only solid white tee shirts or camisoles are allowed under appropriate uniform shirts.
- Only solid white, black or navy blue socks or tights are acceptable and must be worn (but not a combination of any of these three.) Socks must cover the ankles.
- Plain/solid color navy blue button down or pullover sweater or the official navy blue school sweatshirt may be worn.
- Appropriate dress shoes such as navy blue or black or saddle shoes, or plain solid color white, navy blue or black low top sneakers, soles and laces. Laces must be tied.

Boys:

- Navy blue dress, chino style or corduroy slacks
- Plain, solid color white dress shirt or 2 or 3 button pullover with collar or turtleneck (long or short sleeves). Optional – polo shirts may be ordered through Donnelly's with the school name embroidered. *Boys in grades 6, 7 and 8 have the option of a light blue dress shirt or polo shirt that must be purchased from Donnelly's.* Only white tee shirts are allowed under approved uniform shirts.
- Only solid white, black or navy blue socks may be worn; socks must cover the ankles.
- Plain/solid color navy blue button down or pullover sweater or the official navy blue school sweatshirt may be worn.
- Shoes or plain, solid color clean white, navy blue or black sneakers, soles and shoelaces. Laces must be tied.
- Navy blue neckties are optional.
- Belts are strongly suggested.
- Boys' hair must be collar length or shorter and be neatly groomed.

All Students: Snow boots are not to be worn all day

Jackets and coats are NOT to be worn during class

Shirts must be tucked in

Hats are not to be worn inside the school building

Seasonal Wear may be worn.

From the start of the school year until November 1st and from April 1st through the end of the school year:
Navy blue knee length dress shorts may be worn.

From the beginning of November through the end of March:

Girls have the option of wearing navy blue corduroy or dress slacks instead of a jumper or skirt. *Pants for girls in grades 6, 7 and 8 must be purchased through Donnelly's.*

Scout uniforms are allowed on days when scout meetings immediately follow the end of the day or in observance of Scout Week.

Gym Uniforms are to be worn on gym days (Pre-K 3 and 4 year olds may wear the gym uniform on any school day). The gym uniform can be worn in whatever combination is appropriate to the weather or as requested by the physical education teacher or principal.

The gym uniform consists of: Gray monogrammed short or long sleeved tee shirt or navy blue sweatshirt, navy blue monogrammed shorts or sweatpants, white athletic socks and sneakers in accordance with previously stated sneaker policy. Gym Uniform shirts, sweatshirts, shorts and sweatpants must be purchased through Donnelly's or the GWCRS PTO Used Uniform Sale.

Field Trips or Designated Days: The principal will set a dress code that is appropriate to the occasion.

Emergencies: In circumstances when the full uniform cannot be worn, the student must bring in a note from the parent explaining the situation.

Infractions: A student in violation of this uniform policy will be given a warning for the first infraction which will be noted in the principal's office. Parents will receive a written notification of uniform policy violations. The principal may administer disciplinary consequences for uniform policy violations on first or subsequent violations.

Fads: We do not allow fads of any kind such as but not limited to: comic book heroes, rock groups, logo or licensed brand name advertising in clothing, shoes or hair.

Not allowed are:

- Cargo pants, oversized pants, oversized sweaters or oversized sweatshirts
- High top sneakers, sneakers with lights or designs, character sneakers, sneakers with musical features, sandals, clogs or crocs
- Earrings on boys
- Hair extensions, do-rags and bandanas
- Unnatural hair color on boys or girls
- Tattoos or body piercing (exception, girls may have pierced ears)

The final judgment of the appropriateness of a student's dress and attire belongs to the principal alone.

The plaid skirt, jumper, gym uniforms, pants for girls in grades 6, 7 and 8 as well as the navy blue skirt for girls in grades 6, 7 and 8 and the light blue shirts for boys in grades 6,7 and 8 must be purchased through:

Donnelly's School Apparel
50 Sharpe Drive, Cranston, RI 02920
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