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RC Uniforms is the sole provider of uniforms for Guardian Catholic School; all uniform apparel including navy pants and shorts must be purchased at RC Uniforms. All uniform items purchased from RC are marked with a GCS school logo or have the RC Uniform trademark tag. *If you purchase items from any other location, you will be required to replace them.*

Click here for a complete list of items to be purchased from RC Uniforms.

All students must be in uniform every day. In addition to the specific items purchased from RC Uniforms, students must follow all guidelines outlined in the GCS Dress Code below. <u>Students who are out of uniform and/or not following the GCS Dress</u> <u>Code will be sent home.</u> The student may return to school only once he/she is in the proper uniform with adherence to the dress code.

Students in Grades 3-8 wear the Guardian Catholic School PE uniform for Physical Education classes. This includes: gray t-shirt, navy blue mesh shorts, and athletic shoes. PE Uniforms must be purchased at RC Uniforms and each item (t-shirt, sweatshirt, shorts) must have the GCS logo.

GCS DRESS CODE

The Dress Code is designed to foster neatness, discipline, safety and to promote students' focus on education. All students must adhere to the dress code while on school grounds, on field trips and at school-related events.

Accessories

No makeup, lipstick, colored lip gloss, nail polish, gel nail polish, or artificial nails may be worn. No visible body art (tattoos) of any kind.

Jewelry is limited to two pair of post earrings worn in the ear lobe. Dangling earrings, hoop earrings of any size, and huggies are not allowed. No body piercing except pierced ears. No cartilage piercing. Boys may not wear earrings of any kind.

Appearance

The uniform should be clean and pressed with all buttons attached and hem intact. Shirttails must be tucked in while students are on campus.

Belts

Belts must be worn at all times for students in Grades 1-8. Belts must be a standard width and have a plain buckle. Belts must be solid navy blue, brown, or black and without decoration.

Hair

Hair must be kept neat, well-groomed, and reflect the professional appearance of the uniform.

Girls may wear hair accessories (ie. bows, headbands, scrunchies, beads) that are <u>plain</u> white, black, navy blue, gray, and yellow.

Boys' must have a low haircut and be clean-shaven. Hair must be kept above the shirt collar, above the eyebrows and around the ears.

The following are NOT permitted:

- Excessive beading or weaves
- Multi-colored and/or unnaturally colored hair
- Designs in the hair
- Extreme styles that distract from the educational process (ie. mohawks or other fad hairstyles)
- Hats, scarves and bandanas
- Facial hair

Shoes

Students in all grades are encouraged to wear athletic shoes. Shoes must be as close to one solid color as possible- navy blue, white, gray, black, or brown. Athletic shoes, oxford style saddle shoes, loafers, top-siders (ie. Sperry's) are acceptable. The sole of the top-sider must be beige/tan. Shoes must be worn correctly, cut below the ankle, and must be completely enclosed. Sandals, high tops, open-back shoes, boots, crocs, ballet slippers/flats, and shoes with a heel over one inch are NOT permitted. Shoes with laces must be tied at all times. Laces must be the same color as the shoes.

Skirts

Skirts must be no shorter than three inches above the knee.

Socks

Socks must be **solid** navy blue, black or white. Sock brand logos are acceptable (ie. Nike swoosh). Leggings, low cut socks, florescent socks, and socks with patterns are not permitted.

WINTER MONTHS (December through February)

Girls may wear plain black, navy blue, white, or gray tights. Leggings may not be worn. Girls may wear the navy pants found at RC Uniforms during winter months only. Pajama style pants and sweatpants may not be worn at any time. Non-uniform jackets must be removed once inside the buildings.

NON-UNIFORM DAYS GUIDELINES

Students may wear:

- jeans
- colorful tennis shoes
- shorts may be worn in grades PK3-2nd only and must be no shorter than three inches above the knee
- PE shorts can be worn in grades 3-8
- skirts (no shorter than three inches above the knee)
- skorts (grades K- 2nd only)
- nail polish (no gel nail polish or artificial nails)
- jewelry
- dresses (no more than three inches above the knee)
- pants/sweatpants/joggers

Students may not wear:

- Flip-flop sandals, crocs or open back shoes
- Tank tops or low cut blouses
- Shirts bearing midriff
- T-shirts with inappropriate writing or inappropriate logos
- Athletic shoes that convert to roller skates
- Pajamas or pajama-style pants
- Leggings
- Make-up
- Clothing that is extremely tight
- Hats
- Clothing with holes

SCHOOL-SPONSORED EVENTS GUIDELINES

Students must adhere to the below guidelines when attending school-sponsored events (ie. sporting events, school musical performances, sports banquet, cotillion, etc.)

Students may not wear:

- tight clothing, including short leggings
- clothing that is revealing, immodest, or tops that expose bare midriff or undergarments (including halter tops, sports bras, tube tops, razer back tops, spaghetti straps and low cut tops)
- shorts, skirts and dresses shorter than 3 inches above the knee
- excessive make up

ALL UNIFORM REGULATIONS AND GUIDELINES ARE SUBJECT TO THE DISCRETION OF THE ADMINISTRATION.