

We gather to do important work. Our dress reflects the importance St. Michael's places on learning and personal conduct by communicating a level of care and respect for ourselves, others, and the work we do together.

St. Michael's will adhere to our previous dress code standards (listed below) for the 2024-25 school year. This year, however, Crocs shoes are not permissible footwear.

School administrators are the final arbiters for what is or is not considered appropriate dress.

Parent Reminders:

- Students will go outdoors and use our 70 acres for learning and daily activities, so they should wear the right clothing, weather gear, and sturdy shoes each day.
- We strongly suggest families put names in ALL clothing/jackets worn to school.

2024-25 Dress Code

Tops

- All shirts, tops, and blouses should have sleeves. Boys' shirts should have collars.
- Tops may have no logo or a small chest/pocket detail logo or St M logo that is less than 2 inches in size.
- Sweaters and pullovers
- Dresses
 - o Sleeveless dresses are permitted provided they are at least three-finger width at the shoulder
- Writing and large (>2 inches) logos/images on clothing are not permissible inside school, except for school spiritwear on Friday's "Dragon Dress Days, St M branded sweatshirts/jackets, and holidays;" with the exception of students in grades K-2. Students in K-2 may always wear tops with images (no writing or logos) larger than 2 inches
- Necklines should be no lower than the armpit
- Athletic clothing may be required for physical education classes but not permitted otherwise -- with two exceptions:
 - St. Michael's athletic outerwear (St M hoodies/jackets/sweatshirts) may be worn indoors
 - o Interscholastic St M team uniforms may be worn on game days
 - Middle School students should bring appropriate athletic wear and shoes on gym days to change into utilizing the locker rooms before P.E.

Bottoms

- Pants, khakis, jeans, non-athletic shorts, non-athletic skirts/skorts, and dresses, all neatly hemmed
- Shorts, dresses, and skirts should be mid-thigh length or longer
 - As guidance when purchasing, shorts should have a minimum of a five-inch inseam
- Pants and shorts must be worn at the waist
- Leggings may NOT be worn as pants but may be worn under tunics and dresses that are mid-thigh in length

<u>Footwear</u>

- Shoes should be worn and secured at all times. As St M uses our expansive campus trail system for academic and recreational activities during the school day, students should come to school in sturdy, close-toed shoes
- Athletic shoes must be worn on PE days
- For the 2024-25 school year, Crocs are not permissible footwear in the St M dress code as the loose fit poses a safety risk on the playground and on our campus trails.



Hair/Accessories

- Extreme hairstyles and hair colors not naturally occurring are not permitted
- Facial piercings and facial hair are not permitted
- Hats, visors, and sunglasses are not permitted indoors (cultural or religious headscarves/headwear are permitted)

Not Allowed

- Hats, visor, and sunglasses, unless worn outside only
- Sleepwear, fleece pants, or sweatpants
- Athletic shorts, skorts, or bottoms
- Undershirts or visible undergarments
- Spaghetti straps, racerback tops, cutouts, or shirts that reveal midriff or back (including when arms are raised)
- Clothing that is frayed, ripped, sheer, or with holes
- Offensive-inappropriate language/symbols
- Athletic clothing may be required for physical education classes, but not permitted otherwise -- with one exception:
 - Interscholastic team uniforms may be worn on game days

Special Events

Dragon Dress Fridays

Any above-the-waist St. Michael's spiritwear (excluding hats and sunglasses) may be worn in school every Friday. Show your Dragon pride! We love seeing all of the blue and white in our halls!

Dress Up Days

For certain events (i.e., select Chapel services, Closing Exercises or speaker/special guest days) designated by the School, students should wear either (a) a dress shirt, tie, and long pants with a belt; (b) a dress; or (c) a dress blouse with a dress skirt/pants.

Field Trips

When traveling off-campus students may be asked to dress for a formal occasion or in a St. Michael's polo shirt with khaki pants, shorts, dress, or skirt. Field Trip Dress Code may also be altered based on the destination/activities.

Dress Down Days

Dress down days are scheduled during the year (e.g., service fund-raisers, as an eighth grade privilege on the last day of each month.) On dress down days, all guidelines and rules remain in place except:

- Athletic clothing is allowed
- School-appropriate writing and large logos are allowed
- Other guidelines/rules may be relaxed for individual events

Holidays

Above-the-waist holiday-themed clothes that do not adhere to the dress code may be worn in school on approved days. These dates will be published seasonally in St. Michael's weekly newsletter.