

Siena Catholic Academy Dress Code 2018-2019

The purpose of a dress code in a Catholic school is to foster a sense of community and a safe, secure, and productive learning environment. This is a requirement of students at Siena Catholic Academy. Our expectation is that parents will act as partners with the school staff in the enforcement of this Dress Code.

Uniform Purchase

Students must purchase a school uniform at:

[Stitchworks](#) – 297 Culver Parkway 654-7522

[Passantino Sports](#)– 563 Titus Ave. 544-9077

[Lands' End](#) (pants, shorts & shirts available only) 800-469-2222 or on website

Uniform Regulations

Students are not permitted to wear uniforms with rips or holes. All uniforms must be clean, modest, properly fitted, and not tattered, dragging, or held together by safety pins/chains.

Shirts/Fleece

- Shirts must be a white polo, long or short sleeved, with the Siena shield, or a white, long-sleeved Oxford (button-down) shirt with the Siena shield. Girls may wear the white polo with “Siena” embroidered on the collar.
- Only plain white shirts and undergarments may be worn under the uniform shirt.
- Shirts must be properly fitted and *tucked in at all times*.
- Burgundy ties purchased from the approved vendors may be worn by boys and girls with the Oxford shirts.
- All students must wear an approved fleece with the Siena logo daily from November 1st to April 30th. The uniform fleece is grey or burgundy with the Siena Shield.

Pants

- Siena uniform black or khaki pants with SCA monogram tab (purchased from an approved store listed in the uniform purchase section above).
- Pants must be worn on the waist, must not drag below the shoe, and be fitted properly. They may not be altered in any way other than length.
- Siena uniform khaki shorts with SCA monogram tab (purchased from an approved store listed in the uniform purchase section above) may be worn as part of the Fall and Spring Uniform.
- Belts must be worn at all times.

Shoes

- Dress shoes with rubber soles or tied sneakers may be worn.
- No heel may exceed one inch.
- No sandals, clogs, slippers, Uggs, or Birkenstocks are allowed. No boots may be worn during the school day. If boots are worn to school they must be stored in the student’s locker.
- Shoes must be properly tied at all times.

Socks

- Must be worn and visible at all times.
- May be black or white solid only.

Gym Uniform (may be purchased at [Passantino Sports](#) or [Stitchworks](#)):

- Uniform black shorts and Siena grey t-shirt.
- Must be kept clean and may not be shared among students.
- May not be worn under the school uniform on scheduled gym days.
- No jewelry or watches may be worn in gym class for safety reasons.

Hair

- Must be neat and clean.
- Hair may not be artificially colored (i.e. blue, red, green, etc.).
- Natural colors with subtle natural highlights only are allowed.
- Style should be well groomed and evenly trimmed.
- No design may be shaved into the head.
- Even on non-uniform days no feathers or hair wraps allowed.
- No “extreme” or faddish hair styles as determined by Administration.

Boys

- Hair must not touch the shoulders and may not extend below the eye brow.
- Must be clean shaven.
- Sideburns may not extend past the lowest part of the ear opening.

Make up

- No makeup of any kind may be worn by any student.

Jewelry

- Must be appropriate and not distracting to others

- No long necklaces (longer than 16-18 inches) may be worn.
- Modestly styled jewelry, necklaces, and bracelets may be worn.
- No colored plastic bracelets will be permitted.

Earrings

- Boys may not wear any earrings.
- Girls may wear one pair or a total of two earrings. No hoop earrings, only ¼ post earrings.

Head coverings

- No head coverings including hats, hoods, or do-rags are allowed in school at any time.

Piercings and Tattoos

- No facial or body piercing is permitted for any student other than pierced ears for girls.
- No visible tattoo.

Non – Uniform Dress Code

We reflect our values in our dress. As a Catholic school, we embrace the values of modesty and safety. Therefore, on dress down days the following dress code applies:

- Clothing that expresses or promotes symbolism inappropriate to Catholic Schools may not be worn. This includes T-shirts with inappropriate or distasteful logos.
- Shirts for boys and girls must completely cover a student from shoulder to waist. This includes when they are reaching up or bending over. A shirt must be long enough that it does not reveal bare skin.
- Pants, shorts or skirts that lie on the hips so skin is shown are not appropriate. Leggings and yoga pants are not acceptable as an outer layer of clothing, but may be worn with acceptable shorts, skirts, dresses, or tops that are no higher than four inches above the knee.
- Shorts or skirts may be worn but must be no higher than four inches above the knee.
- Pants that allow boxers or underwear to show are not allowed.
- Pants with pins, chains etc. are not allowed.
- Torn, tattered, shredded or unkempt clothing is not allowed.
- Crop tops, tank tops, halter-tops or spaghetti straps may never be worn.

- Shoes with heels higher than one inch may not be worn, except for semi-formal occasions. Other shoes, such as sandals, must be secure on the feet. Flip-flops or slides are prohibited.
- The Non-Uniform Dress Code is to be followed for dances, field trips where a uniform is not worn, or other school activities where the uniform is not required to be worn.
- The 8th grade dinner dance, dinner cruise, graduation, and other semi-formal occasions may call for a loosening of some restrictions, such as heel height, but modesty, especially in terms of hemline and neck line should be observed.
- If a student is unsure of a particular article of clothing, it should not be worn.

The administration will be the final arbiter if there is any question regarding whether an article of clothing, accessory, or personal grooming style is acceptable.