

ST. BRENDAN SCHOOL
UNIFORM POLICY for 2024-2025

All students, grades PK-8, are to dress in the official school uniform. Those not dressed according to the school dress code may receive a uniform referral or conduct referral. Three referrals will result in a detention to be served according to the class policy. Parents may be contacted to bring in school attire if inappropriate clothing is worn. Uniform items may be purchased at Schoolbelles, Inc. Clothing not bought through Schoolbelles must be the same color, style, and material.

STUDENTS MUST DRESS IN THE SCHOOL UNIFORM ON DAYS THAT THEY ATTEND MASS.

School uniforms may be purchased at: Schoolbelles, Inc.
4747 W. 160th Street
Cleveland, Ohio 44135
(216) 898-5550

GIRLS - The official school uniform, effective the first day of school for GIRLS in grades K-8:

Belts

- Grades 4-8 are required to wear solid, dark colored belts with shorts, skorts or slacks that have belt loops. It is optional, but encouraged, for students in grades K-3 to wear belts.

Blouse

- Long or short sleeved white shirtwaist blouse.
- Long sleeved blouses are to remain buttoned at the cuffs.
- Plain white or red knit shirts may be worn with navy blue walking shorts, skorts or chinos.
- Blouses/shirts are to be kept tucked in.

Banded Shirts

- Grades 5-8 may wear white "banded" knit shirts or collared, knit/cotton shirts (school logo optional).

Corduroys

- Solid gray or navy corduroys may be worn November – April.

Cosmetics

- Cosmetics of any kind are not permitted.
- Colored nail polish is not permitted.
- Perfume and scented lotions are not permitted.

Hair

- Highlighting or hair coloring is not permitted.
- Headbands need to be: solid in color or the uniform plaid, and not excessive.
- Long hair should be tied back during physical education class.
- Natural hair styles as defined by the potentially-statewide CROWN (Creating a Respectful and Open World for Natural Hair) Act are allowed and not prohibited.

Jewelry

- Only simple, religious pendants may be worn.
- Only post-like earrings are to be worn.
- Only one earring is to be worn on each lower ear lobe.

Jumper

- The red plaid school jumper is to be worn in Grades K-4 at an appropriate length no more than three inches above the knee. Exceptions will be considered to factor in students' physical growth.

Pants

- Navy blue “chinos or dockers” and/or the plaid uniform pants from Schoolbelles may be worn throughout the school year. Regular school shoes need to be worn with the pants.

Shoes

- Solid school shoes are to be worn daily (I.e. loafers, laced shoes, topsiders, saddle shoes; heels are not permitted).
- Sandals, clogs, crocs, moccasins and the like are not permitted.
- Dark gym shoes, high tops, and hiking boots are not considered school shoes.
- Plain tennis shoes or “school” shoes may be worn with walking shorts/skorts (not uniform pants).
- Students will be expected to change into their school shoes when wearing boots to school.

Shorts/Skorts

- Navy blue walking shorts/skorts may be worn August–October and May.
- Cargo shorts are not permitted.
- Walking shorts/skorts need to be at an appropriate length.

Skirts

- The red plaid school skirt is to be worn in Grades 5-8 at an appropriate length no more than three inches above the knee. Exceptions will be considered to factor in students’ physical growth.

Socks

- Solid DARK navy, red, or white coordinated colored knee-highs, socks that cover the ankle, leggings with socks or tights may be worn.
- Socks must be matching.

Sweaters

- A solid red, white, gray, black or navy cardigan or pullover may be worn with the winter uniform. These may be purchased at Schoolbelles, Inc.

Sweatshirts

- Appropriate fitting St. Brendan School sweatshirts or solid red or white sweatshirts may be worn with the winter uniform.
- Hoods may not be worn up in school.
- Sweatshirts should not be tattered or “worn” looking.

BOYS - The official school uniform, effective the first day of school for BOYS in grades K-8:

Belts

- Grades 4-8 are required to wear solid, dark colored belts with shorts, or slacks that have belt loops. It is optional, but encouraged, for students in grades K-3 to wear belts.

Hair

- Hair needs to be above the collar and must be out of the eyes at all times (without consistently pushing it back) with the exception of: Natural hair styles as defined by the potentially-statewide CROWN (Creating a Respectful and Open World for Natural Hair) Act are allowed and not prohibited.
- Hairstyles must be consistent with good grooming and Catholic School expectations.
- Highlighting or hair coloring is not permitted.

Jewelry

- Only simple, religious pendants may be worn.
- Earrings may not be worn by boys.

Shirt

- Solid, short or long sleeved white or red knit shirts with a collar, are to be worn and kept tucked in.

Shoes

- Solid school shoes are to be worn daily (i.e. loafers, laced shoes).
- Sandals, clogs, crocs, moccasins and the like are not permitted.
- Gym shoes are not to be worn with the uniform pants.
- Dark tennis shoes, high tops and (hiking) boots are not considered school shoes.
- Students will be expected to change into their school shoes when boots are worn to school.
- PLAIN, tennis shoes or “school” shoes may be worn with walking shorts.

Shorts

- Navy blue walking shorts (at an appropriate length) may be worn August–October and May.

Slacks

- Solid navy slacks may be worn. Jeans, denim, baggy pants or those with extra seams and pockets (cargo) are not permitted.
- Grades 4-8 are required to wear solid, dark colored belts with shorts or slacks that have belt loops.

Socks

- Solid colored, navy blue or black socks are to be worn with the school uniform. White socks or dark blue or red “athletic” socks need to be worn with walking shorts and the physical education uniform. Socks must cover the ankle or be to the mid-calf.
- Socks must be matching.

Sweater

- A solid red, white, gray or navy cardigan or pullover may be worn with the winter uniform.

Sweatshirts

- Appropriate fitting St. Brendan School sweatshirts or solid red or white sweatshirts may be worn with the winter uniform.
- Sweatshirts should not be tattered or “worn” looking.
- Hoods may not be worn up in school.

Physical Education Dress Code

Students may wear their P.E. uniform to school on the days that they have P.E. class. Sweatpants must be worn over shorts in the winter weather. However, students may not wear sweatshirts or sweatpants during indoor P.E. class.

Girls / Boys

- Solid red gym shorts or red shorts with the school name/logo
- Solid grey t-shirts (with or without the school logo) t-shirts may be purchased through Hometown Threads
- Walk-for-Education t-shirts
- T-shirts may not be worn longer than the shorts
- Socks are to cover the ankle (girls are permitted to wear knee socks)
- Non-marring gym shoes
- Solid red, white, black, or grey sweatpants need to be worn over the uniform shorts and t-shirts November 1st to April 30th.
- Spandex, yoga pants, leggings (or the like) may not be worn

P.E. uniforms and spirit wear may be purchased at:

Hometown Threads
25313 Lorain Road
North Olmsted, Ohio 44070
440.779.6053
www.hometownthreadscleveland.com

Students are to be in the school uniform upon arrival and dismissal of the school day. Encouragement and vigilance at home and at school will teach children to have pride in maintaining a clean, well-groomed appearance.

Spirit Wear Attire: Spirit wear may be purchased at Hometown Threads. Spirit wear consists of:

- P.E. uniform
- Solid, red or white shirts
- Walk-for-Education and the St. Brendan approved gear
- Appropriate, solid shorts/sweatpants or capris pants (for girls) in red, black, navy or grey
- Clothing purchased in the school colors (red, white and black), with the St. Brendan name/logo
- School athletic apparel is not permitted
- Plain, gym shoes or school shoes
- Solid, khaki pants (no "Army/camouflage" print)
- Appropriately fitting jeans
- Yoga pants, leggings or the like are NOT permitted
- Socks are to cover the ankles.

Uniform/Dress Code Violations:

- Students will be told, as discreetly as possible, they are receiving a Uniform Violation and the reason why.
- The Uniform Violation can be issued by any faculty/staff member for any student of any grade, with play during recess being kept in mind as well as other reasonable exceptions.
- The Uniform Violation is issued in the form of an email from the faculty/staff member who issued it to the student's parents/guardians. The Head of School is responsible for documenting Uniform Violations.
- Three Uniform Violations result in a Detention on Thursdays coordinated by the Head of School. They do not reset at zero to begin a new Quarter (e.g. 2 Violations, Quarter ends, Violation=Detention; then, a Detention after three more Violations)