

## APPENDIX I: Visitation School Uniform Policy 2023-2024

*The purpose of the Visitation school uniform is to provide a visual reminder of unity. Our goal is to evoke a sense of school pride which promotes positive student behavior, academic performance and overall success. The primary responsibility for a student's attire resides with the student and parents or guardians. So that teachers can focus on teaching without the additional burden of dress code enforcement, parents are expected to support students in the daily adherence to the Visitation uniform policy. Uniform notifications will be sent home with students when a dress code issue needs to be addressed. Parents are expected to address the notification as soon as possible. These are the policies agreed to by enrollment at Visitation Catholic School.*

### **General Guidelines**

<b>Boys</b>	<p>Hair must be neat, clean and well groomed. Hair length may not touch the shirt collar and must not be below the eyebrows. Only moderate styles are allowed. Artificial hair coloring is not acceptable.</p> <p>Boys must be clean-shaven.</p> <p>Jewelry should be limited to simple watches or necklaces. Smart watches are not permitted. Necklaces must remain under the uniform shirt.</p> <p>Earrings, gauges, or other piercings for boys are not allowed.</p> <p>Shoes for PE classes must tie or have Velcro closure – no slip-on shoes.</p>
<b>Girls</b>	<p>Only moderate hairstyles are permitted. Hair must be neat, clean and well groomed. Artificial hair coloring is not acceptable. Hair bows, headbands, and barrettes should be simple devices for securing the hair. Kerchiefs or scarves may not be worn as part of the uniform.</p> <p>Minimal makeup is permitted for Junior High girls. Makeup is not to be worn by girls in grades K – 6.</p> <p>Unpolished nails are preferred. If nails are polished, the color should be simple and not distract from the uniform.</p> <p>Jewelry should be limited to simple watches or necklaces. Smart watches are not permitted. Necklaces should remain under the uniform shirt. Earrings must be smaller than the earlobe. Dangling or hoop earrings are not permitted for grades K-6. Gauges or other piercings are not allowed.</p> <p>Shoes for PE classes must tie or have Velcro closure – no slip-on shoes.</p>

**Boys Uniforms**  
**Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade**

<b>Shirt</b>	<b>Pants</b>	<b>Socks &amp; Belts</b>	<b>Shoes</b>	<b>Sweatshirt/Sweater</b>
<p><b>White or forest green long or short sleeve polo shirt with Visitation Logo.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Shirts must be tucked in</li> <li>▪ T-shirts worn under uniform shirts must be solid white</li> </ul>	<p><b>Navy blue uniform trousers or shorts.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Pleated and flat front trousers are allowed.</li> <li>▪ Trousers and shorts to be worn at the waistline</li> <li>▪ Students in need of adult sizes must purchase navy school uniform trousers from Superior or Dennis Uniforms.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Solid white, navy blue, black, or gray socks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Must be worn at all times</li> <li>▪ Vis logo socks acceptable</li> </ul> <p><b>Belts</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Brown or black leather or leather type</li> <li>▪ Simple buckle</li> <li>▪ Belts are optional in Kindergarten</li> </ul>	<p><b>Dress or athletic shoes</b></p> <p>Laced shoes must be tied</p> <p><b>Not Permitted</b></p> <p>Sandals, boots, open-toed or backless shoes</p> <p>Boots, necessary due to inclement weather, must be changed upon arrival at school.</p> <p>Shoes with lights or blinking devices are not permitted.</p>	<p><b>Navy or forest green crewneck sweatshirt</b> with Visitation logo.</p> <p><b>Navy or forest green V-neck sweater</b> with Visitation logo.</p> <p><b>Navy or Gray ¼ zip fleece or pullover fleece</b> with Visitation logo.</p> <p><b>Forest Green Performance ¼ zip sweatshirt</b> with Visitation logo</p> <p>Hooded sweatshirts may only be worn as outerwear and are not permitted in the classroom.</p> <p>Collared uniform shirts must be worn under sweatshirts and sweaters.</p> <p><b>Only eighth graders may wear their class Visitation sweatshirt in school.</b></p>

**Girls Uniforms**  
**Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade**

<b>Uniform</b>	<b>Shirt</b>	<b>Pants/Shorts</b>	<b>Socks, Belts Tights /Leggings</b>	<b>Shoes</b>	<b>Sweatshirt/Sweater</b>
<p><b>Kindergarten to 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: Visitation plaid jumper</b> Must be hemmed no more than 3-4 inches above the knee</p> <p><b>Grades 4 to 8: Visitation plaid skirt</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Must be worn at waistline</li> <li>▪ Must be hemmed no more than 3-4 inches above the knee</li> <li>▪ Should not be rolled at waist</li> <li>▪ Students with two uniform demerits for skirt length will be asked to borrow or buy a regulation-length skirt from the office.</li> <li>▪ Students with three demerits will be asked to wear pants instead of a skirt until the problem can be resolved.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Kindergarten to 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade:</b> <b>With Jumper –</b> Short or long sleeve poplin blouse with rounded (Peter Pan) collar</p> <p><b>Kindergarten to 8<sup>th</sup> Grade: With Trousers and Shorts – and with skirts for Grades 4 to 8:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Short or long-sleeved white blouse</li> <li>● White or forest green long or short-sleeved polo shirt with Visitation Logo</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Shirts must be tucked in</li> <li>▪ T-shirts worn under uniform shirts must be solid white</li> </ul> <p><b>Navy skorts and navy skirts are not part of the Visitation uniform.</b></p>	<p><b>Navy blue uniform trousers or shorts.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Trousers and shorts to be worn at the waistline</li> </ul> <p><b>Not Permitted</b> Sweatpants or pajama pants worn under the uniform</p>	<p><b>Solid white, navy blue, black, or gray socks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Must be worn at all times</li> <li>▪ Vis logo socks acceptable</li> </ul> <p><b>Belts</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Brown or black leather or leather type</li> <li>▪ Simple buckle</li> <li>▪ Belts are optional in Kindergarten</li> </ul> <p><b>Solid white, black or navy-blue tights or leggings.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ No lace or ornamentation on leggings</li> <li>▪ Socks must be worn with leggings</li> <li>▪ Leggings must cover the full length of the leg, with lower edge covered by socks</li> </ul>	<p><b>Dress or athletic shoes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Laced shoes must be tied</li> </ul> <p><b>Not Permitted</b> Sandals, boots, open-toed or backless shoes, ballerina flats, and shoes with heels over ½ inch</p> <p>Boots, necessary due to inclement weather, must be changed upon arrival at school.</p> <p>Shoes with lights or blinking devices are not permitted.</p>	<p><b>Navy or forest green crewneck sweatshirt with Visitation logo</b></p> <p><b>Navy or forest green V-neck sweater/cardigan with Visitation logo</b></p> <p><b>Navy, Forest Green, or Gray ¼ zip fleece or pullover fleece with Visitation logo</b></p> <p><b>Forest Green ¼ zip Performance sweatshirt with Visitation logo</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Collared uniform shirts must be worn under sweatshirts/sweaters.</li> <li>● Hooded sweatshirts may only be worn as outerwear and are not allowed in classrooms.</li> <li>● Visitation grey sweatshirts and hoodies may only be worn as outerwear and are not permitted in the classroom.</li> </ul> <p><b>Only members of the eighth-grade class may wear their class Visitation sweatshirt.</b></p>

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### Out of Uniform and Spirit Days

*Visitation Catholic School uniform regulations are consistently enforced throughout the school year. All students must be in complete uniform from the first day of school through the last day of school unless directed otherwise by a school official. Special non-uniform days will be announced. It is the responsibility of parents to see to it that their children are complying. Continued noncompliance with uniform policy will result in consequences. (See Appendix I) If a student needs a modification of his/her uniform for a medical reason, he/she must receive approval from the school administration. A doctor's note may be required.*

#### *Students may wear*

<b>Spirit Days</b>	Students may wear designated spirit attire, such as sweatshirts, sports jerseys or t-shirts with the Visitation Catholic School Logo or name.
<b>Pants</b>	Jeans and jean skirts Khaki pants Other dress pants or skirts Sweatpants or joggers Yoga pants and leggings are allowed if the shirt is long enough to cover the student's behind.  Pants must be worn around the waist, not sagging
<b>Skirts/Shorts</b>	Skirt length: Skirts must be no shorter than 3-4 inches above the top of the knee. Short length: Shorts must be no shorter than the bottom of the fingertips when arms are extended down full-length.
<b>Shirts</b>	Sweatshirts T-shirts Sweaters Blouses Polos  Students are not allowed to wear halter-tops, tank tops, tops with spaghetti straps, or tops that show the midriff.
<b>Shoes</b>	Shoes that meet the daily uniform dress code should be worn. Flats are allowed on out-of-uniform days only. Students must wear socks at all times with the exception of picture day.

All clothes worn on these days must be free of holes, tears, stains, or inappropriate wording. If in doubt about an article of clothing, please check beforehand with the school administration. These are special days, and we encourage students not to abuse this privilege.