

## Dress Code

Your school uniform confirms your attendance at the school and is a symbol of unity within the school community. It minimizes distractions in the learning process. It is important that you take pride in your appearance by wearing your complete uniform always remembering that by wearing it inside and outside the classroom and the school you are representing the school and your behavior should be a credit to both yourself and the school community. Please mark all clothing and belongings with your child's name.

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### **BOYS – GRADES 1-8**

1. Navy DRESS slacks. Slacks should be zip up pants and should not be rolled up. No drawstring or elastic waist pants allowed. New uniform slacks should be purchased from Lil Darling Uniform Shoppe only. For the months of September, October, May and June, students in Grades 1 through 8 may wear tailored navy blue walking shorts of medium length. New walking shorts must also be purchased through Lil Darling Uniform Shoppe.
2. White DRESS shirt – long or short sleeves with buttons. At all times, the dress shirt must be buttoned at the collar with the tie flush with the button. If long sleeves are worn, they may not be rolled up, and must be buttoned at the cuff. Only at the discretion of the principal, may ties be taken off and buttons be undone. Colored or designed tee shirts may not be worn under the white shirt. During the months of September, October, May, and June, a white polo shirt with the blue Saint Martin's logo may be worn to replace the white shirt and school tie. All shirts, dress and polo, must be kept tucked into the pants or shorts, unless permission is given by the principal. Short sleeve shirts or long sleeves may be worn year round. The polo shirt must be ordered from Lil Darling Uniform Shoppe. All shirts must fit properly.
3. The white polo shirt may be worn with either the shorts or the dress slacks. The dress shirt may not be worn with the shorts. The white polo shirt should not be worn with the sweater or sweater vest.
4. Ties are worn from September through June with the dress white shirt and should be purchased from Lil Darling Uniform Shoppe or at Saint Martin's:
  - Plaid Long Tie – Grades 1-4
  - Navy Blue School Tie – Grades 5-8

It is strongly recommended that the boys purchase at least two (2) ties in case of damage or misplacement of the tie.

5. Sweaters – solid NAVY pullover vest with school logo. The uniform vest must be purchased through Lil Darling Uniform Shoppe. The vest is always worn with long pants. A solid navy V-neck sweater with the school logo may be worn in lieu of the vest. New solid navy V-neck sweaters must be purchased through Lil Darling Uniform Shoppe. White polo shirt should not be worn with sweaters or sweater vests. Sweaters should be checked periodically for holes and should be replaced accordingly.
6. Belts – solid black must be worn with slacks and shorts in grades 5 - 8.

7. Solid black dress shoes are required with solid dark black or solid navy blue socks. Shoes may be tied, buckle or sturdy penny loafer type – no slip-ons. We do not consider boots, work boots, sandals, Crocs (sandals or shoes), sneakers (including dress sneakers) or shoes that come above the ankle to be dress shoes. Shoes should be kept polished, neat, and clean. They should be checked for wear and tear, including proper fit, and replaced accordingly.
8. Socks must always be worn. Solid black or solid navy blue socks only must be worn with the winter uniform. Black or white socks only, that cover the anklebone, must be worn with the summer uniform. No low rise or no-show socks allowed. No logos, stripes, or trim on socks. No colors on socks at all. NO NOVELTY SOCKS OR ANY OTHER COLOR THAN NAVY OR BLACK ARE PERMITTED. ABSOLUTELY NO PATTERNS OR DESIGNS ON ALL SOCKS.
9. Sneakers are worn for Physical Education Classes only. They should be all white or all black, with white or black soles only. Roller sneakers, light-up sneakers, or any other color other than all black or all white are not allowed. SMDP Spirit Wear is not gym uniform and may not be worn on gym days.
10. Earrings are not permitted in school, nor is any jewelry in visible pierced body parts. Boys who wear necklaces can wear one and they can wear one bracelet or one wristband. Choker type necklaces are not allowed. Students may wear a traditional watch (analog/digital). No wearable devices/smart wearables, including smart watches and health wearables with display. Pumps and sensors are excluded from this requirement.
11. Hair should be neat, trimmed above the collar, ears and eyebrows, and must always be clean and neat. No fad or fade hair styles or head shaving. No facial hair. No hair coloring -- only natural, God-given hair colors are allowed.

#### **GIRLS – GRADES 1-8**

1. Plaid Jumper – Grades 1-4 – Uniform jumper must be at or below the knee and must be worn with the girl's tie.
2. Plaid Skirt – Grades 5-8 – The uniform skirts with pockets must be at or below the knee and purchased from Lil Darling Uniform Shoppe.  
 OPTIONAL: Navy blue DRESS slacks may be worn from September 1st to June 30th. During September, October, May and June, students may wear tailored navy blue walking shorts of medium length or the navy skort at medium length (2 inches above the knee). These are all purchased from Lil Darling Uniform Shoppe, this is for grades 1-8.
3. For girls in grades 1-4, the plaid girl's tie must be worn with the long or short sleeve Peter Pan blouse purchased from Lil Darling Uniform Shoppe. For girls in grades 5-8, plain white cotton blouses, with collar, long or short sleeves purchased from Lil Darling Uniform Shoppe. If long sleeves are worn, they should be buttoned at the cuff. During the months of September, October, May and June, a white polo shirt with the Saint Martin's logo may be worn to replace the white blouse. This polo shirt must be purchased from Lil Darling Uniform Shoppe. Vests must be worn. All shirts must be tucked in. Colored shirts under the uniform shirt are unacceptable. Girls cannot wear the cotton blouse without a sweater or vest.
4. The polo shirt may be worn with either the uniform skirt, shorts or skorts. The blouse cannot be worn with the shorts or skorts. The polo shirt cannot be worn with the jumper.
5. Navy knee socks or full navy tights – solid navy. In September, October, May, and June, girls may wear white socks that only cover the ankle. White ankle socks are available at Lil Darling Uniform Shoppe. Short socks should not be worn with the tights. No golf socks, no-show or low-rise socks and no logos, stripes, or trim on socks throughout the entire school year. No white knee socks.

6. Sweaters:

**Grades 1-4** – NAVY vest, V-neck or cardigan with slacks. The cardigan may also be worn with jumper; not the vest or V-neck ALL sweaters must have school logo.

**Grades 5-8** - NAVY sleeveless pullover vest is mandatory. NAVY long-sleeved V-neck pullover sweater with school logo may be worn in lieu of the vest. The vest or the V-neck must be worn from November 1st to April 30th with skirt or slacks. ALL sweaters must have the school logo. The uniform sweaters and vest must be purchased through Lil Darling Uniform Shoppe.

7. Solid black colored, flat, sturdy dress shoes with dark color soles. The shoes may be tied, buckle or sturdy penny loafer type – no slip-ons. Boots, jellies, sling backs, work boots, sneakers (including dress sneakers), shoes that come above the ankle, ballet-type slippers, slip-ons, sandals, Crocs (sandals or shoes), and clogs are not considered uniform shoes. Heels of shoes should be low (not more than one inch) and not platform style. No clunky shoes allowed. No heels higher than 1-inch for students in Saint Martin de Porres School.
8. **Make-up is not appropriate and is not permitted.** This includes lip gloss and eye make-up, particularly mascara. Nail polish is not permitted. NO tips, gel, fake nails, French manicures, acrylic, power gel, stick-on-nails or designs.
9. Jewelry – Only small post earrings or small hoop earrings close to the lobe (**one earring per ear**), only one simple, metal chain and one bracelet or one wristband. Other jewelry, such as pins, dangling bracelets and hoop earrings or jewelry in visible pierced body parts is not permitted. Choker-type necklaces are not permitted. Small patriotic and/or religious lapel pins are acceptable. Students may wear a traditional watch (analog/digital). No wearable devices/smart wearables, including smart watches and health wearables with display. Pumps and sensors are excluded from this requirement.
10. Running or walking sneakers are worn with their gym uniform on Physical Education class days only. They should be all white or all black, with white or black soles only. Only white or black logos are acceptable. Roller sneakers, light-up sneakers or high-top sneakers are not allowed. SMDP Spirit Wear is not gym wear and may not be worn on gym days.
11. Hair should be neat, trimmed and clean and out of the eyes at all times. Blue or white hair accessories, including school uniform patterned headband and/or scrunchie, may be worn. *No oversized bows, flowers, novelty headbands, no triangular scarves may be worn.* No fad hairstyles or head shaving is permitted. Only natural, God-given hair colors are allowed.

During the cold weather, students may wear the navy blue uniform sweater purchased from Lil Darling Uniform Shoppe. Other types of sweaters or sweatshirts may not be worn. **The uniform fleece is considered outerwear and is not worn in lieu of the navy blue uniform sweater or uniform vest.**

### **PRE-KINDERGARTEN & KINDERGARTEN**

Summer and winter gym suits and black or white sneakers. All Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten students will wear the Saint Martin de Porres School gym uniform on a daily basis with solid white socks. Warm weather wear consists of tee shirts with school logo and matching shorts with school logo. The uniform sweatsuit will be worn from November through April. Dress-down days will be designated by the principal. These uniforms may be purchased from Lil Darling Uniform Shoppe. No nail polish may be worn. No jewelry, except post earrings.

All Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten students must wear all white or all black Velcro sneakers.

## SCHOOL SPONSORED EVENTS & SPECIAL OCCASIONS

1. On various occasions throughout the school year, you will be permitted to wear jeans and sneakers on designated "dress down days." Also, it may be requested that the winter uniform be worn for special occasion during the school year.
2. Girls – no skin-revealing, see-through, strapless, crop-top, shear inserts, and backless outfits are not allowed. Hip-hugger pants, jeggings or leggings are not allowed. NO ripped or torn jeans, NO distressed jeans, and NO jeans with holes in them. NO holes in any shirts. Shorts are not allowed.
3. Boys – no belly shirts, low-riding pants, or skin-revealing outfits. NO ripped or torn jeans, NO distressed jeans, and NO jeans with holes in them. NO holes in any shirts. Shorts are not allowed.
4. If appropriate clothing is not worn, a parent/guardian will be asked to bring a change of clothing.
5. The same rules for make-up and jewelry apply for special occasions during school hours.
6. On SMDP Spirit Wear Days, students are permitted to wear SMDP Spirit Wear, gym uniform or their regular school uniform.
7. NO ripped or torn jeans, NO distressed jeans, and NO jeans with holes in them. NO holes in any shirts. Shorts are not allowed.
8. NO holes in any shirts.
9. ***The principal has the right to have a student change into their regular uniform if the rules of the dress down day are not followed correctly.***

## GYM UNIFORMS

Regulation school logo tee shirts and gym/basketball shorts with logo must be worn by students in Grades 1-8 for gym classes. *These must be ordered through Lil Darling Uniform Shoppe.* Sweatpants and crewneck sweatshirts worn for gym classes by Grades 1-8 during cold weather must be navy blue and must have the school logo. *These must be ordered from Lil Darling Uniform Shoppe. Hooded sweatshirts are not allowed.* Gym clothing with other logos is unacceptable. White or black sneakers and only white crew socks are worn with the gym suit. No golf socks, no-show or low-rise socks and no logos, stripes, or trim on socks throughout the entire school year. All gym shorts for all students may NOT be more than two (2) inches above the knee and must be loose fitting.

All Pre-Kindergarten & Kindergarten students will wear the Saint Martin de Porres School gym uniform on a daily basis. Warm weather wear consists of the tee shirt with the school logo and matching shorts with the school logo. The uniform sweatsuit will be worn from November through April. These uniforms may be purchased from Lil Darling Uniform Shoppe. Only white sneakers can be worn in Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten. Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten children only are free to wear all white Velcro sneakers.

The parents/guardians of students will be notified immediately if their child is not their designated school uniform and will be required to bring the appropriate uniform as soon as possible.

***Girls and Boys: The presence of anything that proclaims a current fad is not permitted.***

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