

SUNDAY MASS AND PERSONAL PRAYER

Sunday is, according to the Code of Canon Law, "the foremost feast day of obligation" in the Church. The obligation of personal prayer and regular attendance at Sunday Mass is of chief importance for the maintenance of a sturdy life of faith. Therefore, parents/guardians and the school are bound by a serious obligation and grave responsibility to teach these practices and their underlying values to students, by word and personal example. Parents/Guardians of non-Catholic students have a similar grave responsibility to teach by word and personal example the serious obligation of regular participation in public worship and of personal prayer.

UNIFORM POLICY

Your children must wear the proper school uniform at all times. Uniforms must be clean and in good repair. Uniforms must be sized appropriately and not altered from their original appearance. There are no substitutions or changes allowed. All uniform items must be purchased through Classic Design, designated uniform supplier.

Students who are not in uniform will receive a uniform infraction. Students who do not receive a uniform infraction during the trimester will have a free dress day.

A student with 3 uniform infractions per trimester will receive a detention and a detention for every subsequent infraction.

Uniform Supplier Information

The official Saint Vincent de Paul uniform may be purchased in San Francisco at the following location:

Classic Design Uniform Company (415) 661-4700
1551 Taraval Street, San Francisco, CA 94116

GENERAL GUIDELINES

Hair: Hair must be neat and well groomed. No radical cut, style or color is acceptable. Hair must be the student's natural color. Hair may not be dyed, bleached, streaked, or spiked. No decorative elements such as feathers, extensions, or faux braids will be worn. Boys' hair should be no longer than the bottom of the ear lobes and no longer than the top of the collared shirt in the back (no tails).

For girls, it is preferred that hair bows, ribbons, scrunchies, barrettes, and headbands be made out of uniform material or solid in color – navy, gold, gray, or white. The student will be asked to remove any distracting hair accessory (as determined by a school staff member).

Jewelry: One "cause" rubber bracelet may be worn. Only one simple religious charm/ medallion on a chain is allowed as a necklace. Watches must be for telling time only- no games, etc. Boys are not allowed to wear earrings. Girls may not wear dangling or hoop earrings, but may wear one pair of stud earrings in the earlobe.

Makeup/Nails: Makeup of any kind is not allowed at school. This includes nail polish (including clear) and lip gloss. Tattoos and marker/pen writing on body and clothing are also prohibited.

Sweater: The sweater is required for attendance at school events such as Mass, prayer services, and opening prayer.

Shoes: School shoes must be low cut leather or canvas all white athletic wear with white shoelaces.

Socks: Solid white crew or tube socks are required. Tube socks with no logos are required. In addition, girls may wear white turn cuff socks, knee socks, or dress tights in school colors. Ankle sport socks may not be worn.

SVDP School Uniform Guidelines

Uniform items must be purchased through Classic Design.

Uniform Item	Description	Girls	Boys
Long pants	Gray	N/A	K-8
Plaid skirt *Must be worn with navy or black bike shorts	Plaid No more than 2 inches above the knee	5-8	N/A
Plaid Jumper *Can be worn with polo or blouse *Must be worn with navy or black bike shorts	Plaid No more than 2 inches above the knee	K-4	N/A
Blouse w/peter-pan collar	White	K-4	N/A
Blouse with button-down oxford collar	White	5-8	N/A
Skort(girls)/Shorts(boys) P.E. days ONLY	Navy	K-8	K-8
Short sleeve polo with logo P.E. days ONLY	Navy/Gray (Navy top worn w/ gray bottom) (Gray top worn w/ navy bottom)	K-8	K-8
Low cut leather or canvas athletic shoes with white shoelaces	Solid White Uppers must be solid white – no colored logos allowed	K-8	K-8
Socks	Solid White No ankle sport socks allowed No logos	Crew, turn-cuff or knee socks Opt: white or blue tights	Crew socks
Belt	Solid Black Stretchy belt for K-2	N/A	K-8
V-Neck pullover sweater with SVDP logo	Navy	K-8	K-8
Cardigan (optional)	Navy	K-8	K-8
T-shirt or turtleneck worn under required top (optional)	White ONLY	K-8	K-8
Clip-on tie	Red/girls Blue/boys	K-8	K-8
Hair accessories	No distracting accessories No bigger than 1/5” in diameter	K-8	N/A

Eighth Grade/Student Council Sweatshirts

Students elected to Student Council have the privilege to wear a student council sweatshirt. These sweatshirts may be worn to school in place of a school sweater except on Mass days. Eighth grade students have the privilege to wear their high school sweatshirt beginning the third trimester of the school year except on Mass days.

FREE DRESS DAY

Non-uniform dress is a privilege given for special reasons and may be revoked at any time. Students who do not follow Free Dress guidelines will be required to call their parents/guardians to bring appropriate clothing and will lose the free dress privilege the next time it is offered. Administration reserves the authority to determine if clothes are appropriate.

Free Dress Guidelines

- Pants must be worn appropriately. No sagging allowed.
- Messages of any kind written on clothing must be appropriate.
- Belts must be plain with no spikes or studs.
 - Any athletic-type or uniform shoe may be worn. Shoes must be worn and tied appropriately. No sandals, flip-flops, boots, open-toed shoes, etc. should be worn. Socks must be worn. If Free Dress falls on a PE day, PE appropriate shoes must be worn (see PE dress guidelines).
 - For girls, tops must be modest with no midriff showing. No tank tops, halter tops, or spaghetti straps will be allowed. Skirts and shorts must be the same length as uniform skirts and shorts (no more than 2 inches above the middle of the knee cap).
- Jewelry and make-up guidelines are the same as on uniform days.

The school administration reserves the right to amend the handbook at any time.