

Dress Code and Personal Appearance

Considerable freedom is allowed with respect to clothes and grooming. Neatness, cleanliness, and due regard for the legitimate sensibilities of others constitute the basic goals and norms of the school. In general, Jesuit High School relies upon the good judgment, taste and cooperation of both students and their parents in the implementation of these goals.

The following basic guidelines must be observed during school hours and at school functions. Violations will result in detention. Students found to be in flagrant or repeated violations may be sent home from school. Any missed classes will be considered unexcused absences and behavioral consequences will apply. Regular and random dress code checks will be conducted during the school year.

The Dean has final discretion in terms of student compliance to the “spirit” of this dress code and exceptions to any of these guidelines must have the prior approval of the Dean.

1. Earrings – Students are allowed to wear one earring (hoop or stud) per ear located on the lobe. No oversized earrings (gauges) are allowed. Students may not have any other visible piercings. Earrings of students in violation of the policy will be confiscated and not returned.
2. Hair – Hair should be neat and clean. Hair may not be unusually dyed. Distracting hair styles such as carved lines, shaved heads, faux hawks (shave or close cropped on the sides and long on the top) are not permitted. Students with inappropriate haircuts will not attend class until the hairstyle is corrected. All students must be clean shaven. Beards, mustaches and / or excessive sideburns are not permitted.
 - A student may be suspended until his hair style is remediated to comply with Jesuit policy and expectations.
3. Hats – Hats are not to be worn inside any classroom or office at any time or inside the gymnasium, Phelan Chapel, or Harris Center during assemblies and liturgies.
4. Pants – Dress pants and shorts may be worn at the student’s discretion. Solid color, khaki-style pants and shorts are the only approved pants. Pants and shorts must be worn at or above waist level. Shorts must end at or above the knee. Underwear may not be visible at any time.
 - The following style of pants are not permitted under Jesuit’s dress code: military fatigues, scrubs / hospital pants, nylon warm-ups, sweat pants of any kind, denim pants with rivets (jeans), “cut-offs,” PE or athletic shorts (rugby, soccer, basketball, skate / snowboard, football practice) or excessively baggy shorts, disheveled or torn pants, selective bleached, altered, or excessively baggy pants.
5. Shirts – Only collared shirts, polo-style or a properly buttoned dress shirt, are permitted. Torn or ragged shirts or any shirt that displays conspicuous advertising, promotion of products that are not suitable for minors to use or consume, or profanity or obscene images are not permitted.

6. Shoes / Socks – Any type of conventional footwear may be worn, including athletic / tennis shoes. Socks must be clearly visible.

- The following types of footwear are not permitted under Jesuit’s dress code: soccer or sports sandals, any manner of moccasin or slipper (even with leather soles), heavy-soled, floor-damaging boots or shoes.

- While athletic / tennis shoes are allowed, students must have a separate pair of athletic shoes and socks for PE.

7. Tattoos – Tattoos, both temporary and permanent, are discouraged. Should a student have a tattoo, that tattoo must be covered by clothing and not be visible while on campus or at any Jesuit High School event, on- or off campus.

Dress Attire Days (School-Wide)

Students must dress appropriately to include slacks, a dress shirt and tie, dress belt, and clean leather dress shoes. Athletic / tennis shoes are not allowed for the entire school day on all “school-wide dress attire” days. Appropriate also means no outfits designed to attract attention. Hats may not be brought to school on “dress attire” days. (“Dress attire days” are noted in the school calendar.)