



## St. Joseph's School Abu Dhabi, UAE

### **SCHOOL UNIFORM AND APPEARANCE POLICY**

#### **1. PURPOSE**

St. Joseph's School believes a safe and disciplined learning environment is the first requirement of a high performing School. The implementation of School uniforms will help minimize disruptive behaviour, promote respect for oneself and others, build School/Community Spirit, and more significantly, help to maintain high academic standards. The School also feels that wearing of uniforms by students will help lessen the impact of socioeconomic differences. In addition, it allows for identification of intruders on campus and encourages students to concentrate on learning rather than on what they are wearing.

#### **2. INFORMATION DISSEMINATION**

On a yearly basis, School officials will communicate with parents/guardians information concerning the uniform policy by Newsletters, PTA Meetings, Parent Advisor Council Meetings and Circulars.

#### **School Uniform**

All students are required to wear the proper school uniform and modification to the uniform is not allowed.

Identity card should be worn at all times.

Students are expected to keep their appearance neat and tidy.

School Uniform should be purchased from **Falah Plaza, Lulu** which is approved by the School.

**Girls:** Grey Pinafore and white short sleeved blouse with shirt collar,  
black shoes and white socks. Hair must be plaited, fastened with red ribbon and red band.

**Boys:** Grey half pants, white short-sleeved shirt, black shoes and white socks.

**In winter:** Red Cardigans (for girls) and Red Pullovers (for boys) of simple knit.

**Physical Exercise (P.E.) Uniform must be worn on the specified day as on the class time table.**

#### **Girls (Grade 1 to 12)**

- a) Ensure that the pinafore is AT KNEE LENGTH for the girls. If it is longer, kindly get it altered.
- b) The girls may wear long white socks or knee length stockings, if necessary. No leggings are allowed. No ankle socks are allowed.

- c) Long hair must be braided in two plaits with red ribbon or bands. No pony tails are allowed. Hair must not be tinted or dyed.
- d) Multiple earrings are not allowed. Only one pair of earrings.
- e) Nails must be kept short, and clean without nail polish
- f) Girls shall refrain from carrying cosmetic products like eyeliner, kajal, lipstick etc.
- g) Shoes should be well polished.

### **Boys (Grade 1 to 4)**

- a) Boys should ensure that their white collar shirt is tucked in at all times.
- b) Hair must be neat and short. Hair must not be dyed. No stylish/spiky hairstyle allowed.
- c) Shoes should be well polished.
- d) No ankle socks are allowed. P.E. Uniform P.E Uniform should be not be faded. Pants should not be above the ankle. If you have outgrown the uniform, kindly purchase a new one. Socks/Shoes should be neat and clean

Students are required to wear appropriate clothing according to the situation and the grade level involved. Inappropriate clothing and appearance are disruptive to the school program and the Principal will enforce adherence to this policy by those under their jurisdiction. The student may, with parental permission, be sent home in order to change clothes.

### **Violations of this Policy**

Violations of this policy shall be treated as disruptive behavior in violation of the Student Code of Conduct. However, policy violations shall not carry over on the student's discipline record to subsequent years. This policy shall apply to students at all times when they attend school or any school sponsored event.

Cleanliness of the physical person in order to maintain good health and avoid offensiveness to others is mandatory.

### **Unacceptable Attire**

Students are not allowed to wear clothing, jewelry (including body piercing jewelry and "grills"), buttons, haircuts, tattoos, or other attire or markings which are offensive, suggestive, disruptive, or indecent.

**Appropriate disciplinary actions for violations may include the following.**

**First Offense:** Students shall be informed that they have violated the policy. They shall be given the opportunity to change into acceptable clothing by using available clothes at School or by calling a parent/guardian to bring clothes.

**Second Offense:** A second infraction of the policy may be considered as defiance. In addition to the disciplinary actions available for a first offense, a parent/guardian conference may be held.

**Third Offense:** Disciplinary action may vary when a student has a record of other student conduct violations during the current School Year. Students who do not comply with the School Uniform and Appearance Policy also may be excluded from participating in certain School Programs, including graduation ceremonies. Copies of the School Uniform and Appearance Policy shall be made available to students and parents.

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**Sr. Suranjana (Prestina Rocha)**  
**Principal**

**Next review Date:** 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024

