

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL FOR STUDENT SERVICES

UNIFORM CODE

The Assistant Principal for Student Services is the sole and final judge of what constitutes proper dress. Thus the school reserves the right to establish standards of dress for school time and its extra-curricular activities.

In general, it is our hope that the students of Archbishop Wood will make choices that reflect the standards of modesty and decency in keeping with the philosophy of the school and Catholic education.

The official school uniform of AWHHS is as follows:

LADIES: Regulation uniform skirt (**no shorter than 1 inch above the knee**), white oxford cloth blouse with AW embroidered (only the top button of the blouse is to be unbuttoned), plain T-shirt, regulation black school sweater or sweater vest and/or the Archbishop Wood insignia ¼ zip Cadet Collar Black Fleece, lanyard with school ID card, black knee socks or black tights, and regulation black oxford shoes.

Optional Summer Uniform: Regulation uniform skirt as described above, regulation white banded-bottom school polo shirt; upper class only, **incoming freshman** must wear black banded bottom school polo shirt, plain white T-shirt, lanyard with school ID card, black knee socks, and regulation black oxford shoes.

GENTLEMEN: Regulation gray dress pants purchased from Flynn & O'Hara (to be worn at the waist and cut at the top of the shoe), belt, white oxford cloth dress shirt (with buttons all buttoned), plain T-shirt, tie (properly tied at the top of the collar), regulation black school sweater or sweater vest and/or the Archbishop Wood insignia ¼ zip Cadet Collar Black Fleece, lanyard with school ID card, black dress socks, and regulation black oxford shoes.

Optional Summer Uniform: Regulation gray dress pants as described above, belt, regulation white banded-bottom school polo shirt; upper class only, **incoming freshman** must wear black banded bottom school polo shirt, plain T-shirt, lanyard with school ID card, black dress socks, and regulation black oxford shoes.

GENERAL POLICIES – LADIES & GENTLEMEN

- Students are to come to school and leave school in full uniform unless they have been involved in after school activities. When there is a need to change clothes for school activities or work, students must use designated areas such as locker rooms or bathrooms.
- Shirts and blouses must be tucked in, not worn outside the pants, or skirts unless banded.
- If a student has a serious reason for not wearing the full school uniform on a given day, he/she must bring a note from a parent or doctor. If the situation is long term, a note must be on file from the doctor or parent. The Assistant Principal for Student Services assigns the details of substitute dress.
- Sneakers or athletic shoes may not be worn. If the student is unable to wear the school shoe, another dress shoe must be purchased and a note must be on file from the doctor or parent. Substitute footwear such as boots of any kind, sandals, flip-flops, shower shoes, and other casual shoes are not acceptable. Sneakers for gym class are worn only in the Gym, and only for the gym class itself.
- Students in Physical Education class must wear the gym uniform determined by the Administration.
- In the case of field trips, the Assistant Principal for Student Services will determine the dress of the day for students.

- If a tee shirt is worn under the polo shirt, blouse, or dress shirt, it is to be plain with absolutely no printing, writing, or pictures on it.
- Gentlemen are to be clean-shaven at all times; moustaches, beards, semi-beards, and goatees are not permitted. Sideburns may not extend below the bottom of the ear.
- Extreme hairstyles or hair dyes are not permitted for any student, male or female. Shaved heads are not permitted for either young men or young women. Gentlemen are not permitted to wear ponytails. For gentlemen; hair is to be no longer than the top of the collar. Young ladies may not wear excessive jewelry or make-up.
- No visible tattoos are permitted on any student. No visible body piercing is permitted on any student (except for one pair of earrings for the ladies). This includes piercing of the tongue, eyebrows, lips and/or nose. Gentlemen are not permitted to wear earrings. **Using a band-aid or any other item to cover such piercing is a violation of the policy and warrants suspension.**
- A student who violates the dress or hair code may receive demerits and remain out of school for a brief period until the situation has been corrected.
- Students representing the school at official functions must wear the regulation uniform.
- At any time, for any reason a student needs to keep warm, the regulation black school sweater or sweater vest and/or the Archbishop Wood insignia ¼ zip Cadet Collar Black Fleece is to be worn, sweatshirts of any kind are forbidden.

Uniform inspections will take place periodically. Violations of the uniform code will not be tolerated. Demerits and detentions will be issued.