



## **Blanchet Catholic School Dress Code**

### ***Purpose of the Code:***

The purpose of the code is to provide a standard of behavior regarding modesty, neatness, cleanliness, and appropriateness, which is primarily the responsibility of the student and parent(s). In addition, the code is meant to foster self-discipline and help develop an educational climate that is consistent with the mission of Blanchet Catholic School.

### **Tops:**

- Boys must wear collared shirts. Girls may wear a collar but have other options in addition; blouses, button-up or a “well dressed top”. The shirts may be any color or pattern. Turtleneck shirts may be worn. T-Shirts are not considered an appropriate top.
- All shirts/blouses must be appropriately tailored for school wear and sufficiently long enough so that no skin or underwear is showing at the waist when sitting or standing. In addition, the neckline is to be no lower than 2” from the top of the collarbone (approximately three fingers from the top of the collarbone). Sweatshirts, sweaters, and fleece vests may be worn. These tops may be of any color or design but must be worn as they were intended to be worn (they may not be tied around the waist or hung over the shoulders).
- Students who choose to remove the sweatshirt, sweater, or fleece vest must still wear an appropriate shirt underneath the sweatshirt, sweater, or fleece vest at all times.

### **Pants/Shorts/Skirts:**

- Pants must be clean, hemmed, fitted, and worn on the hips. Excessively long, excessively loose, or excessively tight pants (leather, nylon, etc.) are not acceptable.
- Dress Pants, Chinos, Cargo, Durable, Corduroys are all example of appropriate style of pants. Not allowed on regular dress would be the blue jean style: denim pants, denim skirts, or denim shorts. Overalls, athletic sweats and warm-up suits are also not acceptable.
- Shorts must be worn with the bottom of the hem no more than 3” above the knee.
- Skirts must be worn with the bottom of the hem no higher than the top of the knee. This includes the top of slits on skirts.

### **Miscellaneous:**

- Only girls may wear earrings. No other visible piercing is allowed.
- Hair (including sideburns) must be clean, neatly combed and must not interfere with eyesight. Hair must be a natural color.
  - Fad hairstyles and colors are contrary to the spirit of this dress/grooming code and therefore are not allowed. Hair should be of a natural color. Fad hairstyles examples include mohawks and haircut line art.



- Hair for boys must not extend below the collar. Sideburns must not extend below the earlobe.
- Students must wear shoes appropriate for school.
- Undergarments and/or skin are not to be exposed at any time, whether sitting, standing, stooping, bending, etc. Cleavage should not show at any time, whether sitting, standing, stooping or bending, etc. Shirts must cover students' backs when sitting.

### **Unacceptable Dress and Appearance:**

- Open-toed and/or backless shoes or slippers
- High heeled shoes taller than 3 inches
- Combat boots, camouflage, trench coats, or military fatigues
- Hats and caps may not be worn in the building during school hours
- No tattoos may be visible
- Athletic sweat pants or shorts
- Lycra, leather or Spandex clothing
- Garments intended for wear as undergarments
- Excessively loose or excessively tight clothing
- Sleeveless shirts
- Tank tops, sheer blouses, and strapless attire
- Dirty or torn clothing
- Extremes in makeup, jewelry, and clothing
- Gang symbols
- Clothing that contains sexually suggestive comments, racial remarks, profanity or advertisement of alcohol, or other inappropriate designs.
- Facial hair is unacceptable.

### **Blanchet Spirit / Dress Down Days**

Traditionally, there will be one Blanchet Spirit day and one Dress Down day a week. Those will be communicated in our weekly newsletter and on our calendars outside the main office.

#### **Spirit Day**

- Students may come to school in dress Code or they may wear blue jeans if they are wearing a visible Blanchet top.

#### **Dress Down**

- Students may come to school in dress code in addition they may wear blue jeans and t-shirts.