

Uniform and Personal Appearance

Modesty Statement

Nazareth Academy supports a school uniform policy that is helpful towards implementing the school's mission as well as eliminating distractions from it. Modesty, humility, selflessness, and discretion are all virtues modeled by Jesus Christ. The school uniform is one potential tool to help students not only express these principles through their personal appearance but also, *and more importantly*, seal them in their hearts so that they rejoice in modesty, humility, selflessness, and discretion. In regards to individuality, the more important expressions of a person's heart are to be found in their speech, their acts of love and kindness, and their academic and artistic abilities rather than what they wear.

A neat and well-groomed appearance is expected of every Nazareth Academy student. Uniforms must be sized appropriately, clean, and shirts tucked in at all times.

Uniform for Boys

- Khaki shorts or slacks with belt loops*
- Solid black 5-pocket jeans (no embellishments, no fraying, no holes, no faded)
- Red knit short or long sleeve shirt with school insignia*
- Simple black or brown belt (no embellishments on belts, no large buckles)

Uniform for Girls

- Khaki shorts, or skort*
- Solid black 5-pocket jeans (no embellishments, no fraying, no holes, no faded)
- Red knit polo shirt (short or long sleeves) with school insignia*

Shorts and skort - no shorter than 3 inches above the knees

**Only sources for purchasing uniform:*

- Melvin's
- Used uniforms available at school
- If using other sources, the color and style must model Melvin's

Uniform – All Students

Shoes: tennis or athletic, standard **solid** colors of black, navy, white, or red (school color); **no other color of trim** (no lights, wheels, or backless, no deck shoes); shoestrings **must be** black, navy, white, or red

Socks: must be solid black or white, no logos

Warm Garments: approved NA sweatshirt/jacket, or solid red sweater allowed in classroom. The student may wear another warm garment for outside only. Black or white undershirt may be worn under the red knit shirt on cold days. Black or white leggings may be worn under the approved uniform on cold days.

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Spirit Day Uniform (Mondays)

Approved Spirit T-shirt

For boys: Khaki shorts or long pants**

For girls: Khaki shorts or skort**

****No blue jeans**

Embellished belts, skin-tight pants, too short or tight-fitting skorts or shorts are not in compliance with the uniform code. These infractions call for immediate action.

Non-Uniform Day

During the course of the year, days may be specified as non-uniform days. While students are exempt from wearing the regular school uniform on these days, they must choose attire that is appropriate for school. This means clothes that are modest, proper fitting, no offensive or inappropriate slogans on clothing, and no flip-flops. If it becomes necessary to monitor students too closely as to their choice of clothes on non-uniform days, the students will lose the privilege of non-uniform days for the remainder of the year.

P.E. Clothes

Students in grades 4-8 are required to wear solid red P.E. shirts and shorts ordered through the school from a uniform company. Tennis shoes or athletic shoes are required. Warm-ups or long pants may only be worn on cold days with permission from the physical education teacher. All items are to be labeled on the bottom right hand corner of the garment with the student's name.

Jewelry, Make-up, Hair

Jewelry for girls is limited to one ring, one bracelet, one necklace, simple earrings (one in each earlobe). Jewelry for boys is limited to one watch or bracelet, one ring, one necklace. Ear jewelry is not permitted for boys. Expensive or heirloom jewelry should not be brought on campus.

Make-up is limited to girls in grades 7-8. Make-up must be modest in the amount and type worn. Any matters regarding inappropriate make-up, jewelry, and/or hair will be determined by the teachers/administration. No false or painted fingernails are permitted.

Hairbows and Headbands

Hairbows and headbands, if worn, must be black, navy, red or white *only*. No embellishments or 3-D effects will be allowed.

No extreme hairdos or colored hair are allowed. Hair styles are to be neat, with bangs above the eyebrows, and well-groomed. Boys' hair should be above the collar and trimmed around the ears (no more than half the ear should be covered).

No writing on the skin is allowed.