

4. A parent/guardian who believes his/her child has been expelled for insufficient reason has the right to appeal, in writing sent through US mail, to the Superintendent.

### **Search And Seizure**

Ascension School reserves the right to search and inspect school property used by students at any time. Ascension School also reserves the right to search and inspect personal property when the administration (1) suspects items prohibited by the school are in a student's possession; or (2) suspects a student may be engaged in conduct in violation of the school's policies and procedures. Such items may be confiscated and appropriate action, including disciplinary action, may be taken.

### **Cheating and Plagiarism**

Plagiarism is the act of using the ideas or words of others as one's own. Students are instructed regarding the nature of plagiarism. Students are expected to acknowledge the ideas and words of others appropriately through conventional standards.

### **Finality of Decisions**

The principal is the final recourse in all disciplinary situations and may waive or impose a disciplinary action at his/her discretion.

## **SCHOOL UNIFORM**

Parent/guardian cooperation to enforce the dress code is essential. Parents/guardians should be aware of appropriate apparel and overall appearance, and should see that their children leave for school looking their best within modest limits

For out of uniform days, all uniform rules about modesty and fit still apply. No midriff, sleeveless, or revealing clothing, etc. Clothing that promotes alcohol, drugs, violence, or political position is not permitted.

**Why a uniform?** Students' proclamation of self comes through actions and words rather than through clothing fads of the times. The policy for uniforms at Ascension School is developed and supported by the Ascension Administrative Team, Teachers, and the Education Commission. Students in grades kindergarten through eight are expected to follow the Ascension School dress code policy, and parents are requested to provide the needed impetus for successful compliance. A student who deliberately does not comply with the dress code will receive a detention. Continued disregard of the dress code policy could result in suspension or expulsion. ***Final decisions will be made by the Administration.***

**Where are uniforms purchased?** Uniforms may be purchased from Educational Apparel. We ask that no replicas from other sources be worn. Information is available in the office. The Ascension PTO provides a "Used Uniform SWAP" program at various points throughout the year

JUMPERS/SKIRTS	Approved <b>plaid</b> jumper for grades kindergarten through 5 only. Approved <b>plaid</b> skirts may be worn by <u>grades 6- 8</u> . Plaid jumpers and skirts must be ordered from Education Apparel and <b>must be no more than two inches above the bottom of the knee</b> . Navy blue uniform shorts or navy blue bicycle shorts are encouraged to be worn under the jumper or skirt. Shorts may not be longer than the jumper or skirt.
SKORTS	Navy blue uniform skorts may be worn in grades kindergarten through 8 and purchased through the uniform company. Skorts must be no more than six inches above the bottom of the kneecap.
PANTS	Navy blue uniform pants are the <b>only</b> pants that may be worn for grades kindergarten through 8. “Jeans styling” (such as top-stitching, patch pockets, low-rise waistline, Brand-name pants such as, <i>Old Navy, American Eagle</i> , etc.) are not approved uniforms and are <u>not</u> acceptable uniform attire for any grade level. <b>No leggings.</b>
SHORTS	Navy blue uniform shorts are the <b>only</b> shorts that may be worn for grades kindergarten through 8. <u>Shorts must be no more than 6 inches from the bottom of the kneecap. Shorts are not permitted second and third quarter of the school year. No leggings.</u>
BELTS	Optional: Brown, black, or navy belts may be worn with uniform pants and shorts beginning in grades 6 and through grade 8. Belts must be visible without ornamentation (no studs, ornamentation, extra large holes, or oversized belt buckles).
SHIRTS	Only solid white, light blue, or red knit polo shirts (long or short sleeve) with collar may be worn. Girls may wear the feminine fit style of the polo shirt. Oxford button down shirts/Dacron/Cotton style shirts may be worn in white or light blue. Undershirts and T-shirts worn under uniform shirts or PE shirts must be white without lettering. <b>Shirts must be tucked in at all times.</b>
BLOUSES	Cotton, oxford cloth short or long sleeve) in white or light blue may be worn. <b>NOTE:</b> White “Peter Pan” collar blouses may be worn <b>ONLY</b> under jumpers.
SWEATERS	Solid navy blue, red, white or gray cardigan, vest, or pullover may be worn over a uniform blouse, or shirt. No Turtlenecks.

- SWEATSHIRTS** School sweatshirts with the letter “A” logo from the uniform company may be worn in grades K-8. ***ONLY Ascension Hoodies may be worn by grades 6-8 during the school day and they may not have any rips or tears in them. The head must be uncovered at all times during the school day.*** Collared uniform shirts must be worn underneath.
- SOCKS/TIGHTS** Quarter, crew, tube or knee high socks in red, white, navy, black, or gray may be worn. ***While we recommend that socks have no logos, socks with small logos less than 2” in length will be allowed.*** Socks **must** be visible above the shoe top regardless of the style of shoe worn. No ankle, ped socks or hosiery may be worn. Solid colored tights in red, navy, white, or gray may be worn under the uniform jumper, school, or short. **No leggings may be worn.**
- SHOES** Rubber, non-marking soled tennis or gym type shoes with ties and/or Velcro closings may be worn. Sandals, clogs, flip-flops, shoes with wheels are not permitted. *Only shoes with non-marking soles are permitted in the PAC to avoid damage to the gym floor. (Leather soled shoes are never permitted on the gym floor.)* **Boots are not permitted during the school day. They may be worn outside during recess but need to be removed and replaced once in the classroom. Fashion boots are not permitted.** No open toed, open heeled or high heeled shoes are to be worn. Shoes must be tied.
- JEWELRY** Necklaces, pins, rings and bracelets are not permitted, including the rubber bracelets for causes. Christian religious jewelry may be worn. ***For safety reasons, only post earrings may be worn. Cords or rope necklaces may not be worn around the neck as they can be hazardous on the playground and during P.E. classes.*** One earring may be worn per ear to school. No other piercings. **Smartwatches/Fitbits are not permitted.**
- COSMETICS** **Fingernail polish may not be worn. Fake nails are not permitted.** No makeup may be worn in grades kindergarten through 6. Girls in grades 7 & 8 may wear light facial makeup and Blush/.Neutral nail polish. No fake eyelashes. **Facial glitter is not permitted.**
- HAIR** No extreme hair styles or cuts. **No hair coloring.** For boys, hair needs to be above the collar. (Administrator’s discretion)
- GUM** Gum chewing is not allowed on school property.

- P.E. CLASS** All students in grades 4-8 are required to wear the approved P.E. uniform from Greenleaf Printing beginning. Girls wearing jumpers must have shorts under the skirt on P.E. days. Ascension PE Sweatpants for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter for 4-8. T-shirts and undershirts worn under P.E. shirts must be white without lettering. P.E. All Grades: Gym shoes with tie or Velcro and socks must be worn. Only post earrings may be worn in gym class; no dangles or hoops.
- HATS** Hats must be removed before entering the school building. Bandanas as head coverings are not permitted.

### **DRESS UP/ CASUAL DAYS /SPIRIT DAYS**

Casual pants, including jeans, may be worn on Casual Days. "Yoga" pants/leggings may not be worn. Compression shorts may not be worn. Pajama flannel pants may not be worn. Shorts and skirts must be no more than six inches from the bottom of the kneecap. Dress shoes and sandals with straps (not flip-flops) are permitted. Tank tops, crop tops, midriff tops, low cut tops, tops with spaghetti straps, or low slung pants are not acceptable attire for Dress up or Casual Days. If clothing worn to school is deemed inappropriate by the Administration, parents may be called and/or used uniforms may replace the inappropriate clothing. The Administrator's decision in these matters is final. Ascension Spiritwear may be worn on designated Spirit Days with uniform pants or shorts. Students may wear their Ascension sport jerseys only if it is labeled in some manner with Ascension School or Ascension Knights.

### **MASS/HOLY DAYS of OBLIGATION/SPECIAL VISITORS DRESS CODE**

Students will be asked to attend school in the official school uniforms when attending church during Monday school masses and Holy Days of Obligation. Students will be reminded at school. If they have P.E. they will wear their P.E. uniform that day at school unless notified by the principal/or PE teacher.