



HILL-MURRAY UNIFORM POLICY

2023-2024

The purpose of the Hill-Murray Uniform Policy is:

- To support academic success and enhance the learning environment,
- To promote self-respect and Catholic values for the Hill Murray school community,
- To create an environment that minimizes socioeconomic differences displayed through attire,
- To promote a safe and secure learning environment,
- To prepare students for dress in a professional environment, and
- To create and promote school unity and community - a feeling of belonging to something bigger than any individual.

ACCEPTABLE TOPS:

- Black or green short or long-sleeve logoed polos, quarter zip-shirts, and crew neck sweatshirts sold with Hill-Murray Logo (No jackets). ***Tops with the HM logo can be purchased at Donald's for the 2023 - 2024 School Year.***
- Students may wear their Hill-Murray athletic team or club spirit attire as an acceptable top for the Hill-Murray Uniform. This does not include long or short sleeve shirts, tee-shirts or competition uniforms/jerseys.
- Changes to uniform top: Polos are not required underneath logoed sweatshirts.

ACCEPTABLE BOTTOMS:

- Black dress pants, golf-type pants, golf-type shorts, or stretch-woven joggers. (**No** leggings, cargo, track, pajama/drawstring, yoga, denim, capri pants, drawstring, or sweatpants). Pants and shorts can be purchased anywhere if they adhere to the uniform guidelines.
- Shorts and skirts may be no more than 3 inches above the top of the knee. Students will be required to put on school-supplied pants charged to their tuition account if they are not in compliance.
- Changes to uniform bottoms: The current uniform skirt (available at Donald's) will be phased out at the end of the 2023-2024 school year.

GENERAL NOTES:

- **The uniform should promote a clean, neat, and professional appearance in all aspects.**
- **Shoes** - Must be closed-toed, athletic low/mid/high are allowed in white, black, gray, or green. (No sandals, boots, Birkenstock-style slides, flip-flops, slippers, slide-ins, uggs, crocs, etc.)
- **Socks** - Must be black, white, or gray.
- **Pants** - There is a distinct difference between joggers and sweatpants. Joggers are made of stretch woven material, whereas sweatpants are made of cotton/fleece-type material. Sweatpants are not allowed. Pants with logos on the pant legs are not allowed. Leggings cannot be worn on regular, spirit wear, retreat, or out-of-uniform days.
- **Hair** - Must be a naturally occurring color and not extend below the eyebrows in the front. Gentlemen must be clean-shaven, hair should not extend below the bottom of the ears on the sides, touch the collar in the back, and sideburns must not extend below the ear.
- **Earrings** - Small are allowed; however, distracting earrings, facial piercings (nose, lip, etc.), and tattoos are not allowed.
- **Jackets/Coats/Hoods/Hats** - Not allowed during the school day. Hoods worn over the head, hats, and sunglasses are not allowed during the school day unless permitted explicitly for dress-up days (such permission will be announced). Jackets/coats typically have a full zipper down the front.
- Clothing may not be cut, shortened, or otherwise modified. On out-of-uniform days tops must cover the entire torso for both gentlemen and women.
- The uniform must be free of non-school-related pins, badges, buttons, stickers, or other accessories.
- At all times, including special dress days, all clothing and accessories that represent and/or promote inappropriate messages, partisan politics, political candidates, drugs, alcohol, tobacco or other illegal substances, violence, threats, or hate groups are prohibited.
- The administration has the right to determine the appropriateness of the uniform.