

Uniform Policy and Dress Code

The Uniform Policy is divided into three categories: **Official Dress Uniform** (required), **Physical Education Uniform** (required) and **Summer Uniform** (optional).

GIRLS UNIFORM

***SPECIAL NOTES FOR GIRLS:** Hair accessories, which may include headbands/barrettes, must be simple and maintain uniform colors (white, navy, brown or black).

<p>Official Dress Uniform: Grades K-5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plaid Jumper (No more than 2" above knee) • Shirt: White Button-down Blouse with Peter Pan Collar, Long Sleeve or Short Sleeve • Sweater: Navy Two-pocket Cardigan with VA Logo (gym sweatshirts ARE NOT considered part of the Official Dress Uniform) • Socks/Tights: Navy Knee Length / Tights - Navy • Shoes: Navy, Black, or Brown Dress Shoes <p>NOTE: Navy Dockers style pants may be worn in place of jumper when weather is 32 degrees or below EXCEPT on those days when the students are required to attend Mass.</p>	<p>Official Dress Uniform: Grades 6-8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kilt: Solid Navy or Blue Plaid (no more than 2" above the knee) • Shirt: White, Light Blue or Light Pink Button Down Oxford, Long Sleeve or Short Sleeve • Sweater: Navy Pullover V-Neck with VA Logo (gym sweatshirts ARE NOT considered part of the Official Dress Uniform) • Socks/Tights: Navy Knee Length / Tights-Navy • Shoes: Navy, Black or Brown dress shoes (no heels higher than 1 inch) <p>NOTE: Khaki Dockers style pants may be worn in place of kilt when weather is 32 degrees or below EXCEPT on those days when the students are required to attend Mass.</p>
<p>Physical Education Uniform: Grades K-5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shorts: Navy Mesh VA Logo • Shirt: Navy Polo VA Logo • Pants: Grey Sweatpants with VA Logo or Navy Track pants • Sweatshirt: Grey Hooded Pull-over or Grey Hooded Zip with VA Logo or Navy Track Jacket with VA logo • Socks: White over the ankle • Shoes: White Sneakers or dress shoes to be worn during the school day and a second pair of clean sneakers with non-marking soles to wear during gym class. <p>NOTE: Mesh shorts may only be worn from the start of school through Columbus Day weekend and from May 1st through the end of school.</p>	<p>Physical Education Uniform: Grades 6-8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shorts: Navy Mesh with VA Logo • Shirt: Navy Polo with VA Logo • Pants: Grey Sweatpants with VA Logo or Navy Track pants • Sweatshirt: Grey Hooded Pull-over or Grey Hooded Zip with VA Logo or Navy Track Jacket with VA logo • Socks: White over the ankle • Shoes: White Sneakers or dress shoes to be worn during the school day and a second pair of clean sneakers with non-marking soles to wear during gym class. <p>NOTE: Mesh shorts may only be worn from the start of school through Columbus Day weekend and from May 1st through the end of school.</p>
<p>Summer Uniform: Grades K-5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skort: Navy (mesh gym shorts not allowed) • Shirt: White Polo or Navy Polo with VA Logo • Socks: Navy knee length or White over the ankle • Shoes: White Sneakers or Navy, Black, or Brown Dress Shoes <p>NOTE: Summer uniform can be worn from the start of school through Columbus Day weekend and from May 1st through the end of school.</p>	<p>Summer Uniform: Grades 6-8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skort or Shorts: Khaki - no more than 2" above knee (mesh gym shorts not allowed) • Shirt: White Polo or Navy Polo with VA Logo • Socks: Navy knee length or White over the ankle • Shoes: White Sneakers or Navy, Black, or Brown Dress Shoes (no heels higher than 1 inch) <p>NOTE: Summer uniform can be worn from the start of school through Columbus Day weekend and from May 1st through the end of school.</p>

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BOYS UNIFORM

<p>Official Dress Uniform: Grades K-5*</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pants: Navy Dockers Style • Shirt: White Button Down Oxford, Long Sleeve or Short Sleeve • Sweater: Navy Pullover V-Neck with VA Logo (gym sweatshirts ARE NOT considered part of the Official Dress Uniform) • Socks: Navy • Shoes: Brown or Black dress shoes • Belt: Black or Brown <p>*Additional Item for Grades 4-5:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tie: Navy Clip-on or Traditional style 	<p>Official Dress Uniform: Grades 6-8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pants: Khaki Dockers Style • Shirt: White or Light Blue Button Down Oxford, Long Sleeve or Short Sleeve • Sweater: Navy Pullover V-Neck with VA Logo (gym sweatshirts ARE NOT considered part of the Official Dress Uniform) • Tie: Navy (<i>no clip-ons, must be traditional tie</i>) • Belt: Black or Brown • Socks: Tan • Shoes: Black or Brown dress shoes
<p>Physical Education Uniform: Grades K-5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shorts: Navy Mesh with VA Logo • Shirt: Navy Polo with VA Logo • Pants: Grey Sweatpants with VA Logo <i>or</i> Navy Track pants • Sweatshirt: Grey Hooded Pull-over or Grey Hooded Zip with VA Logo <i>or</i> Navy Track Jacket with VA logo • Socks: White over the ankle • Shoes: White Sneakers or dress shoes to be worn during the school day <i>and</i> a second pair of clean sneakers with non-marking soles to wear during gym class. <p><i>NOTE: Mesh shorts may only be worn from the start of school through Columbus Day weekend and from May 1st through the end of school.</i></p>	<p>Physical Education Uniform: Grades 6-8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shorts: Navy Mesh with VA Logo • Shirt: Navy Polo with VA Logo • Pants: Grey Sweatpants with VA Logo <i>or</i> Navy Track pants • Sweatshirt: Grey Hooded Pull-over or Grey Hooded Zip with VA Logo <i>or</i> Navy Track Jacket with VA logo • Socks: White over the ankle • Shoes: White Sneakers or dress shoes to be worn during the school day <i>and</i> a second pair of clean sneakers with non-marking soles to wear during gym class. <p><i>NOTE: Mesh shorts may only be worn from the start of school through Columbus Day weekend and from May 1st through the end of school.</i></p>
<p>Summer Uniform: Grades K-5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shorts: Navy Dockers Style (mesh gym shorts <i>not</i> allowed) • Shirt: White Polo or Navy Polo with VA Logo • Socks: White over the ankle • Shoes: White Sneakers or Navy, Black, or Brown Dress Shoes <p><i>NOTE: Summer uniform can be worn from the start of school through Columbus Day weekend and from May 1st through the end of school.</i></p>	<p>Summer Uniform: Grades 6-8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shorts: Khaki Dockers Style (mesh gym shorts <i>not</i> allowed) • Shirt: White Polo or Navy Polo with VA Logo • Belt: Black or Brown • Socks: White over the ankle • Shoes: White Sneakers or Navy, Black, or Brown Dress Shoes <p><i>NOTE: Summer uniform can be worn from the start of school through Columbus Day weekend and from May 1st through the end of school.</i></p>

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When in school, students are visible representatives of Venerini Academy. The uniform helps eliminate fashion as a potential source of competition among students, and therefore aids in keeping the focus on their studies.

Parents have the responsibility of having their child/children comply with the dress code. Failure to comply with the dress code will result in a call from the office to bring in the appropriate attire. Appropriate consequences will be given to be determined by the teacher.

HAIR/HATS:

Boys' and girls' hair should be clean, well groomed, and appropriate in style. Neither excessive nor faddish hairstyles are permitted, nor are the coloring or streaking of hair. Boys' hair must be short, clean cut, over the ears and no longer than the top of the shirt collar. Hair accessories, which may include headbands/barrettes, must be simple with no adornments (white, navy, brown, black or uniform plaid).

Students are not allowed to wear hats in school. Hats should be kept in lockers during the day. Students may put on hats once they are no longer in the school building.

JEWELRY:

Students may wear a watch, ring, small necklace and non-dangling earrings. Tattoos are prohibited.

MAKE-UP:

Clear or Pale pink nail polish may be worn. Colored finger nail polish, eyeliner, eye shadow, lip color, blush or other make-up is not allowed. If the students wear colored fingernail polish to school they will be asked to remove it at school.

SHOES:

Students should wear appropriate shoes. Open toe, open back, heels over 1", spiked heels, clogs, Crocs, Uggs, slippers, sandals, and flip-flops are not allowed at any time (even during dress down days) for safety reasons.

MASS/HOLY DAYS of OBLIGATION:

All students are required to be in their Official Dress Uniform for any and all Masses. There will be no Physical Education on Mass/Holy days.

WEATHER CONDITIONS:

Girls are permitted to wear pants under certain weather conditions. If the temperature is 32 degrees or below, pants are permitted. Winter boots are allowed for both boys and girls and must be removed and replaced with shoes before the start of the school day. This will be enforced by the homeroom teacher.

NOTE: On Mass/Holy Days students must change into proper dress uniform.

DRESS DOWN DAYS:

Appropriate clothing must be worn on dress down days. Clothing should not be torn, ragged or excessively tight. Shirts, blouses and t-shirts should not have any inappropriate wording or brand names and should be of modest length. Tank tops, crop tees, sleeveless shirts or spaghetti straps are not allowed. Also, shorts and/or skirts should be no more than 2" above the knee. The rules for hair, jewelry and make-up still apply. No jeans are to be worn unless otherwise stated by the office. Students in violation of above will be required to change.

FIELD TRIPS:

Supervising Teacher(s) will determine proper attire for field trips.

School uniforms can be purchased at the following:

Land's End – at Sear's Stores: www.landsend.com

Allen's Uniform's: 452 W. Boylston St., Worcester, MA 01606; 508-853-1993; www.allensuniforms.com

J.B. Edwards: 65 Southbridge Street, Auburn, MA 01501; 508-792-2071; www.jbedwarduniforms.com