

DRESS AND GROOMING CODE

Dress Code is one of the traditions that has always distinguished Loyola. Loyola students, unlike those from other private schools, are not required to wear a school uniform. They must, however, conform to a dress code that has been designed to permit them to express their individuality and personal style. We count on the good will of our students in order to preserve this privilege, as well as the support of our parents in ensuring that the dress code is respected at all times.

I. DRESS CODE: SPECIFICS (WHAT MAY OR MAY NOT BE WORN)

The Loyola Dress Code specifies that only certain types and styles of clothes may be worn in and around the school, travelling to and from school, and in other school situations. Within limits, however, it still leaves plenty of room for variations and choice depending on individual taste. Our aim is to ensure that our students present a positive image of themselves and our school. Any questions regarding the *Dress and Grooming Code*, should be referred to the Vice Principal of Discipline.

1. IN SCHOOL AND ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

In school and on school grounds, throughout the school day, students are required to wear the following apparel:

- Suit jacket or blazer. A Loyola maroon pullover sweater may replace jacket.
- Dress shirts must be tucked into pants. Top button **MUST** be done up.
- Properly knotted tie worn at the collar.
- Shoes must be professional looking. Loafers not permitted.
- Classic cut dress pants **NOT TIGHT/TAPPERED**. (NO COTTON/CORDUROY).
- A solid-coloured, lightweight dress turtleneck, tucked inside the dress pants, may be worn.
- Heavy gauge sweater-type turtlenecks are not permitted.
- Underneath a blazer, a v-neck sweater may accompany a shirt and tie.
- A belt must be worn.
- White socks and ankle socks are not permitted.
- **THE FULL DRESS CODE IS IN EFFECT WHILE IN THE SCHOOL.** At all other times, the dress code for travelling to and from school (see below) is in effect. Exceptions are noted in Section 6 - Special Situations.
- Winter footwear may not be worn in classrooms and corridors.

2. TRAVELLING TO AND FROM SCHOOL

- a) Dress pants and a dress shirt must be worn at all times.
- b) Unconventional outerwear is not permitted.
- c) Unconventional footwear, such as "army boots", is not permitted.

3. AFTER-SCHOOL SPORTING ACTIVITIES

Students attending after-school sporting activities, both at Loyola and at other schools, must comply with the dress regulations at the discretion of their Coach.

4. GYM, EXTRACURRICULAR SPORTS, INTER-CLASS SPORTS AND PICK-UP GAMES

- a) Students must wear Loyola shorts and t-shirt for gym classes.
- b) Students, who engage in pick-up games at various times in and around the school, are urged to wear appropriate clothing. They must resume proper school dress before returning to class or leaving for home.

5. SATURDAYS AND HOLIDAYS

Students coming to school (or gym or the rink) on Saturdays and holidays may dress casually, but appropriately.

6. SPECIAL SITUATIONS

Students in school or on school grounds for special reasons or in special situations where normal dress clothes are inappropriate (e.g. doing work around the school, setting up for social activities, doing certain types of work for the sports tournament), may wear appropriate clothing if given permission by the supervising teacher.

7. SOCIAL ACTIVITIES, RETREATS, AND FIELD TRIPS

Will be specified by the Moderator at the time of the event.

8. SUMMER DRESS CODE

Students have three options:

1. Regular dress code.
2. A student may remove tie and blazer.
3. A student may substitute a standard dress shirt with a Loyola golf shirt.

The dates of Summer Dress are at the discretion of the Vice-Principal of Discipline.

II. DRESS CODE: SPIRIT (OVERALL APPEARANCE)

The rationale of the Loyola Dress Code is neatness and cleanliness and the avoidance of extremes, fads in clothes and grooming. It is not enough that the student comply with the specifics of the dress code. He must also respect its spirit and rationale in his overall appearance.

1. **Neatness and cleanliness:** Dirty, torn or shabby clothes, shoes, outerwear or footwear, are NOT permitted under any circumstances in school, on school grounds, travelling to and from school, at after school sports activities, on Saturdays and holidays, at social events, retreats and field trips. All clothing must be clean and pressed.
2. **Hair: A short and neat haircut is the expectation:** Must be cut to a length that is off the collar, length of bangs no longer than the eyes (regardless of style) and be the student's natural colour. No outlandish haircuts are permitted. Students will have a maximum of 3 days to conform to the proper regulations. After the 3rd day, the student will receive an office jug every school day until his hair meets school regulations.
3. **Facial Hair:** Facial hair is not permitted. Students with facial hair will be required to shave immediately at the office and will receive an office jug.
4. **Fit:** Clothes must fit properly. Pants must be worn with a belt and shirts must be tucked neatly into dress pants.
5. **Colour coordination:** Colour coordination or contrasts in clothes that are unconventional, bizarre, outlandish, or intended to deviate from the norm, are not permitted.
6. **Jewelry:** Piercings, of any kind, are NOT permitted in school, on school grounds or at any other school-related activities. BAND AIDS COVERING PIERCINGS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE. Rings, wristbands and pendants must not be outlandish. Wallet chains must not be visible. Failure to comply with the above mentioned will result in immediate confiscation of the item and a Procedural Jug.
7. **Suit coat, dress jacket or blazer:** Individual teachers may allow the removal of suit coat, dress jacket or blazer in class. Students must wear the jacket when leaving the classroom.
8. **Hats:** Hats, including baseball caps, may not be worn in school.

NOTE: Students who choose not to conform to the dress code are liable to discipline from all faculty/staff. Students who constantly choose to abuse the dress code will be reported to the Vice Principal of Discipline.