

Dress Code for CCD Confirmation Mass

BOYS:

- Long sleeve white shirt
- Tie (preferred)
- Black or dark colored long dress pants (no cargo pants)
- Dark dress socks
- Dark dress shoes, **NO SANDALS (WITH OR WITHOUT SOCKS), SNEAKERS, TENNIS SHOES, OR SPORT SHOES.**
- Blazers or suits are fine

GIRLS:

- Simple white dress or white blouse and white skirt
- Length of dress should be no higher than slightly above the knee. Any length below the knee is acceptable.
- Shoes: White or light colored dress shoes or sandals
- **NO EXPOSED STOMACHS**
- **NO SPAGHETTI STRAPS**
- **NO FLIP FLOPS**
- **NO LOW CUT NECK LINES (NO CLEAVAGE SHOWING)**
- **NO HALTER TOPS OR STRAPLESS DRESSES/TOPS**

BOYS AND GIRLS:

- Hairstyle should be neat and presentable. No radical or distracting hairstyles.
- **The Archbishop will be anointing each child's forehead so girls and boys must have the forehead free of hair.** The Archbishop does not want to push hair off the candidate's forehead in order to anoint the child.

SPONSORS:

- Do not need to wear white. "Sunday best" attire is fine. No blue jeans, please.

The Archbishop is quite strict about the above dress code – keep in mind that candidates represent the Church of St. Ignatius.

The clothing your children will wear for this very special occasion should reflect your reverence for God and for the Church.

We will have extra white shawls to wrap around dresses with spaghetti straps, low necklines, strapless or halter tops AND skirts that are too short. We will also have bobby pins and gel and/or hairspray to ensure all candidates (boys and girls) have their hair off their forehead **BEFORE** mass begins.

Parents, please ensure your child arrives to church in attire and hairstyles that conform to the dress code as stated above. CCD Coordinators and volunteers are also parents of candidates, and we would very much like to enjoy this special day with our own children and those that we have watched grow throughout this journey and would be greatly saddened to have to enforce the dress code.