Confirmation Mass DRESS CODE

While the Church greatly respects the uniqueness and individuality of each of its members, modesty is a fruit of the Holy Spirit, and “Teaching modesty to children and adolescents means awakening in them respect for the human person.” (Catechism of the Catholic Church 2521-2522).

It is in this spirit of fostering respect for each other and for sanctity of the Sacrament of Confirmation that we set forth a code of dress for Confirmandi and sponsors that is consistent with the Church’s view of modesty for the solemn beauty of this occasion.

YOUNG MEN

**Appropriate Attire:**   
Suit or dress pants, dress shirt, tie. Jacket is optional but preferred.   
Khaki slacks with button-down shirt.  
Shirts should be tucked in.  
Shoes should be appropriate for outfit and church (no flip flops or tennis shoes).

**Inappropriate Attire:** Tennis shoes, jeans, shorts, t-shirts, polos, tuxedos.

YOUNG WOMEN

**Appropriate Attire:**   
Modest dress or skirt and blouse (skirt or dress must be no shorter than 2 inches above the knee and not be tight).   
Pant suit or dress pants and blouse.  
Chest, back and shoulders must be covered - a dressy sweater or wrap is an acceptable solution.  
Shoes should be appropriate for outfit and church (no flip flops or tennis shoes). High heels should not be too high they cannot walk comfortably in them.

**Inappropriate Attire:** strapless/sleeveless dresses, mini-skirts, jeans, extremely tight or low-cut dresses, formal evening gowns.  
No plunging or revealing necklines. No bare midriffs. Please no shorts or capris.

FOR ALL

In general, dress in good taste is requested and should be appropriate for important life occasions—church, banquets, and special occasions (but not formal or semi-formal). Also, white and red are common, appropriate colors for Confirmation.

Manner of dress shows self-respect, respect for one another, and respect for the occasion.

**If you are not certain whether your clothing meets these guidelines, *please ask prior to the day of Confirmation!* If you would like to check the appropriateness of your clothing for Confirmation, we recommend you wear the outfit in question to rehearsal—we can tell you then whether or not it meets this code!**