

BSS Used Uniform FAQ

What is the used uniform closet?

The used uniform closet is an inventory of gently used uniform items that have been donated by school families. As the collection is based on donations, the assortment of items and sizes is constantly changing, so the availability of a particular item in a particular size cannot be guaranteed. Prices are up to 70% less than items purchased new and the entire amount of your purchase goes directly to the school.

Where is the used uniform closet?

The used uniform closet is located in the main office area, right next to the principal's office.

When is it open?

The used uniform closet will be open for sales several times during the periods of highest demand (typically fall and spring). Most sales will take place during regular school hours, as the closet is only accessible when the school is open. The closet will occasionally be open during evening hours in conjunction with a scheduled evening event at the school (such as Back to School night in September).

The closet is not open during the summer, school vacations, or weekends.

All sales will be advertised via the principal's weekly e-mail and on the BSS PC Facebook page, as well as on the school website calendar.

These are the currently scheduled sales for the 2018-19 school year. Other dates may be added throughout the year. Please watch your e-mail, school website, and Facebook for notifications.

Tuesday, September 4, 11:45am (First day of school)

Thursday, September 20, 6:15-7:00pm (Back to School night)

Tuesday, October 9, 8:15-9:00am (after assembly)

Wednesday, April 24, 8:15-9:00am (after assembly)

Wednesday, June 5, 8:15-9:00am (after assembly)

What if I need a used item during the winter months, or between sales?

Appointments may be made to meet with a used uniform volunteer at a mutually agreeable time. Specific **used items only** may also be requested via an online form. The form for requesting an appointment or items can be found on the school website in the Uniforms section, on the BSS PC Facebook page, and here: [Used Uniform Request Form](#). Please note that this year the online request form will be reactivated on October 10th.

What about those brand-new new logo gym t-shirts?

Our supply of brand-new new logo gym t-shirts is a special promotion, not a permanent offering of the used uniform closet. Because this is a very popular item and out of fairness to all families, these t-shirts cannot be requested or reserved via e-mail, online order form, private appointment, or any other means. They can only be purchased in person at a scheduled sale (see above). We will review this policy after the October 9th sale based on what inventory remains at that point.

So you don't carry new items?

As a general rule, we do not carry new items. There are occasional exceptions to this rule. As a reference, 99% of our inventory consists of gently used items.

Do you have new logo polos/gym shorts/sweatpants/sweatshirts/sweaters/jackets?

The new logo was introduced before the 2017-18 school year and has only become mandatory starting with the 2018-19 school year. Thus, we have not yet received any donations of used polos/gym shorts/sweatpants/sweatshirts/sweaters/jackets with the new logo.

What types of payment are accepted at the used uniform closet?

Cash, checks made out to Blessed Sacrament School, and FACTS billing are acceptable forms of payment. Payment must be made before merchandise can be received. IOU's will not be accepted; there are no exceptions to this policy.

What about returns or exchanges?

Unfortunately, we are unable to process returns or refunds. Exchanges can be made within one week as long as the original size stickers are still on the items.

Where can I leave my clothing donations?

There is a donation box labeled "Used uniforms" in the corner of the gym foyer, to the right of the gym doors (and next to the large Lost and Found box). Please leave bagged clothing donations in this used uniform donation box. Thank you!

What type of clothing donations are accepted?

Most clothing items listed in the official current dress code are accepted, provided that they are in very good, gently used condition. Items with stains, holes, tears, rips, old logos, or excessive fading are not accepted as they are not able to be sold. Please inspect items before donating. A list of accepted and not accepted items follows on the next page.

ACCEPTED ITEMS:

Girls (K-5)

Maroon plaid jumpers
 White round collar blouses
 Maroon tights and knee socks

Gray pants and shorts
 Pink polos with new logo
 Maroon plaid hair accessories

Boys (K-5)

Maroon polos with new logo

Gray pants and shorts

Middle School

Girls' gray plaid kilts
 Girls' white oxford blouses
 Girls' maroon tights and knee socks

Gray pants and shorts
 White polos with new logo
 Gym track pants & jackets

All Grades

Gym t-shirts with new logo
 Gym sweatshirts with new logo,
 Gym sweatpants (plain or new logo)

Sweaters
 Jackets
 Gym shorts (plain or new logo)

ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED:

Shoes

Belts

Socks (other than girls' socks listed above)

Bike shorts worn under girls' skirts and jumpers

Team t-shirts (soccer, basketball, robotics, middle school house)

Old logo items

Polos without logo

Items with holes, tears, rips, stains, or excessive fading

Items not part of the official dress code

Can I volunteer to help?

YES! The closet is managed entirely by a team of parent volunteers. We are always in need of volunteers who are able to commit to helping out regularly a few times (or more) throughout the year. There is a lot to learn about uniforms (brands, sizing, adherence to uniform dress code) so it takes a few sessions to "learn the ropes". Also, since we receive uniform donations and hold sales throughout the school year, there are ample opportunities for service hours. Please contact Melissa Deutsch at melissald123@gmail.com to be added to the volunteer list.