

ELEMENTARY DRESS CODE FOR CURRENT YEAR

Overview

As Christians we are admonished to observe the principles of modesty and the glorification of God (I Cor. 10:31). Parents carry a major responsibility to ensure and teach their children how to be well groomed. The school has established dress code guidelines intended to be conducive to the learning environment. These guidelines are based on the following:

1. The belief that a Christian school is a unique and distinct social setting.
2. The belief that school dress should be neat, sharp, and avoid a sloppy look or appearance.
3. The belief that school attire should avoid showiness or extreme in dress.

Please note: Students are required to be in dress code until 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, unless otherwise directed.

The Elementary Principal shall make all final decisions regarding the appropriateness of school dress.

PCA Elementary Dress Code Plan for the current school year:

1. Our kindergarten through sixth grade students are to wear clothing purchased through the ***LANDS' END SCHOOL CATALOG*** or from other sources (J.C. Penny's, Target, Sears, etc...) to match Lands' End styles. Students are welcome to wear any solid color clothing as long as the style looks like selected styles from the ***Lands' End School Catalog***. Any solid color is allowed. Please note that we ask for short or long sleeve styles only. In addition, $\frac{3}{4}$ length sleeves are not part of our dress code. **All styles may be worn year around. Eaglewear from our school store is allowed if it matches the Lands' End style.** All girl's dresses, skirts, shorts, and skorts must be modest in length and measuring approximately three inches above the knee. If ordering from Land's End, please choose the longer length. Only PCA and Eaglewear logos are allowed on clothing. No other logos or insignias may be worn except on solid color athletic socks.
2. Lands' End sweatshirts are only allowed when carrying the PCA logo and worn with a dress code shirt. Sweatshirts must not be oversized. All sweaters and vests must have a dress code shirt underneath.
3. All student tops must be Lands' End School Catalog style or from other sources that match Lands' End styles. Please make sure there are no stripes on collars or sleeves. All shirts must have a collar. T-shirts worn as outerwear are not allowed. If wearing an undershirt, please wear white or a solid color. Please no layering of shirts (wearing a short sleeve shirt over a long sleeved shirt or an undershirt longer than outer shirt). Solid colors only, please.

4. Corduroy pants are allowed. If purchasing from another source, they must match Lands' End style.
5. Belts are to be worn if clothing has belt loops that can be seen. Solid color belts only, please.
6. Girl's and boy's shirts must be tucked in. Exception – Lands' End sweaters.
7. Footwear: Shoes must completely cover the foot. This is to prevent injury on the playground. Sandal type shoes are not permitted. All students are expected to wear socks or hosiery. Athletic shoes and socks with insignia may be worn. Students may choose Lands' End shoes or other complete shoes from another source. No Heelies with or without wheels may be worn.
8. Clothing must be neat with no holes (this includes jeans on "Jeans Days.")
9. Accessories:
 - a. Sunglasses, bandanas or hats may not be worn in school, unless allowed by classroom teacher for a special day.
 - b. Jewelry must be modest. Boys are not permitted to wear earrings.
 - c. No tattoos, facial painting or sprayed hair color, please.
10. Hairstyles:
 - a. Boy's hair should be neatly groomed at all times. It should be worn in a manner that is not a distraction to the student or others around him. This includes mohawks, ponytails or any other extreme haircuts. It is to be trimmed and tapered so that the whole ear is visible. Hair should be worn above the eyebrows in the front and not below the top of a shirt collar in the back. Hair must be of a natural color. If hair grows past the allowed length, the boy will receive a Hair Code Notice. This notice is to be signed by the parent and returned to school the next day. Students receiving length of hair notices will be required to have their hair cut within a three-day period. Failure to have hair cut within the three-day period will be considered a behavioral issue and the student will not be allowed back in class until their hair is cut. Continual breach of conduct in this area may result in expulsion.
 - b. Girl's hair must be a neat style and of a natural color.
11. Exceptions to the catalog:
 - a. No swimsuits
 - b. No bike shorts (Bike shorts may be worn under a skirt or dress for girls, but should not show)
 - c. No striped polo shirts
 - d. No super t-shirts or t-shirts of any kind for outerwear that may be seen.
 - e. Wind pants are allowed for gym but not for daily class wear. They need not be Lands' End style.
 - f. No polar-tec vests, coats, hooded sweatshirts or other outerwear may be worn in class.
 - g. No cargo style pants or shorts are allowed.
 - h. The New Lands' End cord skirt, skort, pleated cargo skirt, and "above the knee" skort are not allowed.

Please refer to your Lands' End School catalog to determine the look required. Pay attention to fabric details such as pleats, necklines, and color when matching the Lands' End style. The bottom line – regardless of where you buy your child's clothes – they need to match the clothes in the Lands' End School catalog.

- Any SOLID COLOR item in the catalog bought from another resource must also be solid.
- Any PLAID item in the catalog purchased elsewhere must also be plaid – but may be a different color plaid.
- Look carefully at the skorts, skirts, and jumpers in the Lands' End catalog. Jumpers need to be scooped neck, dropped waist, with a band and some pleats. Please make sure your choice matches the Lands' End style. Chino pants with or without pleats (flat front) are allowed, including shorts. Please note that the cord skort, pleated cargo skirt, above the knee skort and the cord skirt are not allowed.
- The one item that you can buy only through Lands' End is the sweatshirts with the PCA logo.
- Acceptable sweater types are solid color, no stripes or patterns, long sleeve or a sleeveless (if dress code shirt is worn underneath), v-neck, crew, cardigan or v-neck cardigan. The sweater may be cable, ribbed, or flat knit style.

ALLOWED

- Flat front chinos and shorts
- Solid color legging or tight with dress code length approved skirt, skort, or jumper.
- Solid color socks
- Chinos without belt loops
- ANY color in a solid color item
- ANY plaid pattern on plaid items
- Leather belts in a solid color
- Cuffs on the bottom of chino pants or shorts
- One or two pockets on back of chinos
- Lands' End and PCA logos
- You can order from any Lands' End catalog, but it must match the Lands' End School catalog
- Eaglewear purchased or ordered from PCA's store if it matches the Lands' End style
- Docker-style pants with slight flared legs are acceptable

NOT ALLOWED

- No visible insignias or brand names on clothing (except for socks), all other visible insignias must be removed
- No stripes anywhere on polos or other solid color items
- No dress jeans; pants must be chino or corduroy material and Docker style

- Other school uniform clothes that do not match the PCA selected styles in the Lands' End School catalog
- No rivets on pants
- Capris

Lands' End School Catalogs are available in the elementary office.

C. Jean's Day Attire – Students may wear denim jeans and capris that are not frayed, slit, have holes, or are torn at the hem. Belts are not required.

D. Consequences of Inappropriate School-day Attire

1. First through third offenses: The first three infractions of the dress code will be communicated to the parents by the classroom teacher, through a note.
2. Fourth/subsequent offenses: Student will be referred to the principal. Student will not be allowed to return to class until the clothing is changed. If the student received 4 “no belt” notices, he/she will receive an after school detention. If students are participating on a sports team (whether PCA or an outside team) and they win a game or tournament, they are allowed to wear their jersey over their dress code shirt and pants/shorts. They are allowed to wear the jersey all day.

