

DRESS CODE

Our dress code is important to the LCDS mission and philosophy. The dress code creates an atmosphere that reminds our students that school is important. It also encourages individual students to see themselves as part of the wider LCDS community. In sum, the dress code promotes school spirit and respect for learning.

Parents are encouraged to join us in supporting the virtues of a dress code and to encourage their children to see its benefits. If a student is out of compliance with the dress code, parents will be notified, and repeated infractions could result in a student being denied admission to class until the infraction is corrected. Parents are strongly urged to write their children's names on the tag of every item of clothing and to periodically check the 'lost and found' to find missing items.

PRESCHOOL, PREKINDERGARTEN, AND KINDERGARTEN

There is no official dress code for students in the Early Years grades. For health and safety reasons, we do prohibit any footwear in which any part of the foot is exposed (including sandals, Crocs, etc.), platform shoes or shoes with a 1" or higher heel, shoes with wheels, and anything deemed by the administration to be unsafe. We also request that students not wear sweatpants or t-shirts emblazoned with movie or cartoon characters. Students will be given a specific field trip t-shirt that they must wear on every field trip.

FIRST THROUGH EIGHTH GRADE

LCDS has an account with Lands End, and all dress code items, including those with the official LCDS logo, can be purchased at their website (www.landsend.com/school, school number: 900029430). Parents may purchase items from other vendors, but should consult Lands End's LCDS page to ensure that the style and color of the clothing purchased from another vendor matches the style and color associated with the LCDS items sold by Lands End. Parents may purchase sweatshirts and other items at the LCDS Spirit Store, which can be found at the LCDS website (select 'My LCDS').

Pants, Skirts, etc.: Pants, including shorts, must be chino style and solid navy or khaki. Girls may also wear solid navy, khaki, or 'hunter/classic navy plaid' jumpers, skirts, or dresses, and the hem must extend at least to the student's longest fingertip when their arm is held straight by their side. *Concert Attire:* Students will need a pair of navy colored pants, or a navy skirt, jumper, or dress to wear during concerts.

Shirts: Style must be Polo or button-down dress shirt. Polo shirts must be solid white, navy or hunter/evergreen, and button-down shirts must be solid white. Logos are not permitted, with the exception of the official LCDS logo. Shirts that extend more than two inches below the top of a student's pants must be tucked-in. Eighth grade students may wear Polo style shirts of any color or design on Fridays. *Concert Attire:* Students will need a white shirt to wear during concerts.

Footwear: Most shoe and sneaker styles and colors are acceptable, except any footwear in which any part of the foot is exposed (such as sandals, Crocs, etc.), platform shoes or shoes with a 1" or higher heel, shoes with wheels, and anything deemed by the administration to be unsafe.

Outerwear: In the classroom, the only outerwear that students may wear are solid white, navy, or hunter/evergreen fleece style jackets or cardigan style sweaters. Students may also wear sweatshirts, provided they have an official LCDS logo. Hats and hoods cannot be worn inside the school.

'FREE' or THEME DRESS DAYS

Periodically, students are permitted to wear clothing that deviates from the dress code, usually as part of a 'free' or theme dress day. Regardless of the theme or the use of the term 'free', the following are never permitted:

- Any footwear in which any part of the foot is exposed (such as sandals, Crocs, etc.), platform shoes or shoes with a 1" or higher heel, shoes with wheels, and anything deemed by the administration to be unsafe;
- Shorts, skirts, or dresses with a hem that does not extend at least to the student's longest fingertip when their arm is held straight by their side, cropped or midriff baring shirts, strapless tops or tank tops with straps less than one inch wide, pajamas or sleepwear, or any clothing with rips or tears.