

## Dress Code and Uniform Policy

**Authorized Paideia Academy uniforms are required. All tops must be purchased from The Paideia Academy office. Bottoms can be purchased at any store of your choice, as long as they follow uniform requirements.**

School uniforms promote a positive, less distracting learning environment, and demonstrate school pride and solidarity. School uniforms require the scholar to develop positive social skills rather than dependence on clothing as a statement. The dress code is designed to help encourage a wholesome learning environment, to provide safety, and to prevent any dress styles that would negatively affect scholars. Clothing should be clean, neat, and in good repair. It must conform to the styles of the school uniforms. Dress code will be checked each day at morning assembly. Scholars out of dress code will have to call a parent to bring the correct clothing before going to class. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

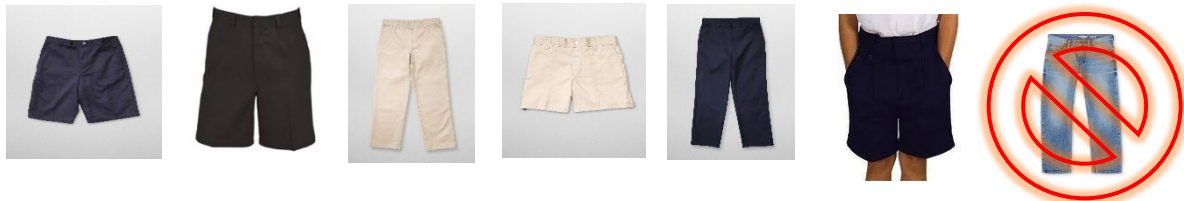
### Polos and Spirit Shirts

- Paideia Uniform Polos (long or short sleeve) must be from the Paideia store with appropriate Paideia logo.



- Plain white blouses may be worn under a jumper and may be purchased anywhere.
- No gaping holes or large stains.
- Elementary Owl Spirit T-Shirt may be worn Wednesday and Friday. May be purchased at Baseline Campus.

### Pants and Shorts – boys and girls



- **Shorts**
  - Shorts must be in good repair, loose fitting, long enough to reach tip of finger with arms at side or longer.
  - Navy, black, khaki shorts, skorts, capris, cargo shorts permitted.
  - Must fit properly - SKIN-TIGHT shorts are not allowed on campus.
  - Cargo-short are permitted

- Athletic shorts/pants such as basketball style are not allowed on campus. PE see below.
- Must be worn appropriately at the natural waist level – **if the shorts are loose and sag, a belt is required. Must fit properly.**
- **Pants:**
  - Navy, black, or khaki-colored pants permitted
  - **Jeans are NOT permitted for K-8th grade students**
  - NO faded or torn or bedazzled pants allowed on campus
  - Must be worn appropriately at the natural waist level – **if the pants are loose and sag, a belt is required. Must fit properly.**
- NOT PERMITTED:
  - **Scholars WILL NOT be permitted on campus in violation of these dress code violations.**
  - **Blue Jeans are NOT Permitted for Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade students**
  - Tights, Leggings, Yoga-style, baggy sweatpants, pajama-style bottoms, skin-tight shorts are not permitted

### Dresses and Jumpers

- **All must be loose fitting and below the tip of the finger with arms at side or longer**
- Solid color leggings may be worn under dresses/skirts and jumpers
- Must be navy, black or khaki solid *color* only



### Spirit Shirts

- Elementary Owl Spirit T-Shirt may be worn Wednesday and Friday ONLY.
- Owl Spirit T-Shirt ***does not need to be tucked in.***

### Sweatshirts/ Sweaters/ Coats:

**Please write scholar name on label of all outerwear clothing.**



- Large coats may be worn on the playground but not in the building.
- Only solid dark blue, black, or grey sweaters may be worn in the classroom. All other coats must be removed in the classroom.
- Do not send scholars to school wearing only a sweatshirt.

- Long sleeve undershirts may be worn under a polo shirt; however, the undershirt must be solid white, blue, or gold in color.

### Shoes:

- Conservative colors, closed-toe shoes.
- Sandals with full strapped back and covered toes.
- NOT PERMITTED:
  - Flip-flops or thong type shoes are not permitted.
  - Crocs are not permitted
  - Shoes with wheels, lights or other distractors are not permitted on school campus.



### Hats and Caps:

***Please write scholar name inside hat.***

- Hats must be worn appropriately, forward facing with no modifications to the brim.
- Hats and caps are not to be worn in the classroom or building.
- Hats with offensive (as interpreted by the principal) logos or messages are not permitted on campus

### Hair:

- Hair must be kept neat, have a combed appearance, and away from the face
- Irregular hair coloring or outlandish (as interpreted by the principal) hairstyles will not be allowed.

### Jewelry:

- Necklaces
  - For safety reasons - necklaces must not extend below the bottom button of a polo shirt. If longer it must be tucked into the shirt.
- Bracelets – Must not make distracting noises
- Ear rings – one small stud per ear lobe. For safety reasons, no gauges, or hoops, spikes
- Piercings on the face not allowed.

### Backpacks/Binders

- Be free of logos, symbols or pictures that represent something illegal, violent, illicit or suggestive
- Are subject to search by a Paideia Administrator at any time, with or without warning

**It is the principal's responsibility to make final decisions regarding dress code issues. Parents agree to encourage their children to adhere to the school's dress code. The school is not responsible for lost, damaged or stolen property.**