

PROVIDENCE CLASSICAL SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

PHILOSOPHY:

As Christians, we are constantly required to filter messages that we receive from the secular world. While we live in the world and its culture, we are called to live counter-culturally (Rom. 12:1-2; 1 Peter 2:9). As such, our uniform policy is founded upon principles that strive to reflect a Christ-centered environment. In a culture in which personal expression is exalted above all else, beauty is relative, the good of our neighbor is subordinated to the “rights” of the individual, and even the biological gender of men and women as created in the image of God (male and female) is questioned, it is the desire of Providence Classical School to glorify God in both the character and culture of the school. In addition, in an effort to preserve childhood, it is our desire to resist the culture’s message to launch children into adulthood prematurely.

As ambassadors of Christ to each other and to the watching world, the following principles should guide our choice of school attire:

1. Our actions and our attire should point to the Lord that we serve.
2. Our actions and our attire should betray a heart of both modesty and humility.
3. Our actions and attire should seek to respectfully reflect our biological gender.
4. Our actions and our attire should not seek to draw attention to the individual student but rather seek to invest in and protect the virtue and character of that portion of the body of Christ that finds itself at Providence Classical School.
5. Our actions and our attire should support the effort to maintain an orderly operation throughout the school.
6. As we seek to invest in each other, our actions and our attire should support a school culture that requires an ever-decreasing necessity of oversight.

“Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.”
Philippians 2:3-4

In light of the above, we ask that the parents and students support a manner of dress that reflects the Christian, classical, and scholarly image of Providence Classical School. As such, Providence Classical School students should appear neat, clean, and modest during the school day, seeking not to distract others or solicit oversight by their appearance.

General Guidelines

The following guidelines help to achieve principles 1, 4, and 5:

- Students are expected to look neat, clean, and modest at all times.
- Shirts are to be tucked in (with the exception of the ladies dress shirt).
- If worn, undershirts must be solid white, and undershirt sleeves may not be visible.
- The hem of jumpers, skirts, and skorts must come approximately to the top of the knee. Parents are responsible for monitoring skirt length with growth spurts.
- Approved uniform shirts or blouses must be worn under jumpers, sweatshirts, and sweaters.
- PreK and Kindergarten students should wear self-fastening shoes or laces that do not require tying until they can tie their own shoes.
- Grammar School students must wear athletic/running shoes on PE days.
- Uniform items must be purchased from Lands' End (School Code: 900058520).
- Families sell, purchase, and exchange used uniform items through the [Providence Classical Parents Facebook group](#).
- If you are unsure about the uniform policy requirements, please contact your student's Principal.

Outerwear

- Uniform outerwear (see uniform chart) and PCS letterman jackets are the only outerwear that may be worn anywhere on campus Monday-Thursday before 3:00 p.m. (even outdoors).
- Other PCS outerwear (e.g., PCS Booster Club or PCS Athletics sweatshirts) may be worn after school and on Fridays **only**.
- In inclement weather, students may wear the following items on campus but not in the classroom: rain jackets, heavy coats, hats/headwear, gloves/scarves.
- Hats and other headwear may not be worn on campus except for protection from inclement weather.

Grooming Guidelines

The following guidelines help to achieve principles 1, 2, 3, and 5:

Hair

- Hair should be neat and not cover the eyes. Hair for boys and young men should not cover the eyes, ears, or collar.
- Young men are to be clean-shaven daily.
- Hair may not be dyed outside of natural hair colors.
- Hair accessories for girls and young ladies should be simple and not distracting.
- Grammar School hair accessories must match the uniform colors or their hair color. (e.g., royal blue, navy, gold, white, black, khaki or PCS plaid).

Accessories and Make-up

- Upper School young ladies may wear make-up that is applied modestly.
- Grammar School girls should have natural nails.
- Girls and young ladies may wear simple jewelry that is not distracting. Facial piercings are not permitted.
- Boys and young men may not have piercings.
- Students may not have any tattoos.

Alternate Dress Days

The following guidelines help to achieve principles 1, 2, 3, and 5:

- The following guidelines apply to any occasion on which students may wear non-uniform clothing (e.g., free dress, theme days, feast days, etc.):
 - Jeans must have no holes or tears and not be too tight or too loose. Minimal fraying at the hem is acceptable. Black, blue, gray, or white jeans may be worn to school.
 - Shorts for all students, boys and girls, must meet the following guidelines:
 - have an inseam at least 3 inches in length
 - be clearly visible below the hem of the shirt
 - be loose-fitting
 - Shorts, skirts, or dresses must meet the previously stated length guidelines.
 - Leggings may never be worn as pants. Leggings may be worn underneath shorts or a skirt or dress that meets length guidelines.
 - No clothing worn to school may have inappropriate words or images on it.
- **Friday Dress:** Every Friday, students may wear appropriate jeans (see above) or uniform bottoms with any PCS t-shirt or sweatshirt. This may include t-shirts or sweatshirts from PCS clubs, athletics, and/or Booster Club purchases. T-shirts do not have to be tucked in. Shoes and socks should follow regular uniform guidelines on Fridays. If students choose to wear their full uniform on Friday, they must follow all of the standard uniform guidelines for Monday-Thursday (e.g., belts for young men and shirts tucked in).
- **Spirit Days:** Some days during the year will be designated Spirit Days in support or celebration of school events and accomplishments. On these days, students may wear Friday dress with expanded options of shoes or jeans in school colors (blue, gold).
- **House Games Days:** Upper School students are required to wear House t-shirts with uniform bottoms or jeans and tennis shoes on House Games days. Students may bring appropriate shorts (see above) to wear while playing in the games. Leggings may only be worn underneath shorts.
- **Athletic Team Days:** An athletic team may display spirit and unity by all wearing the same coach-approved athletic top with their school uniform bottoms for one game-day per week, as decided by their coach. Shirts must be tucked in and belts worn with pants.
- **Dress-up Days:** Students often have the opportunity to come to school in costume for time-period feasts or other theme days. On these days, students should still dress modestly and must dress according to the theme assigned or in regular uniform.
- **PE Uniforms for 7th and 8th Grade Elective Only:**
 - Young Ladies
 - Lands' End School Uniform Girls Short Sleeve Active Gym T-shirt-Gray Heather (logo)
 - Lands' End School Uniform Girls Mesh Gym Shorts-Classic Navy
 - Athletic/running shoes (see uniform chart for color requirements)
 - Young Men
 - Lands' End School Uniform Boys Short Sleeve Active Gym T-shirt-Gray Heather (logo)
 - Lands' End School Uniform Boys Mesh Gym Shorts-Classic Navy
 - Athletic/running shoes (see uniform chart for color requirements)

UNIFORM OPTIONS FOR GIRLS AND YOUNG LADIES (LANDS' END PCS CODE: 900058520)

*Indicates items may be purchased outside of Lands' End School Uniforms.

ITEM	GRAMMAR (PK-6)	UPPER SCHOOL (7-12)
SHIRTS	Navy or White Polo PK-3 rd : White Peter Pan 4 th -6 th : White Dress Shirt	Navy or White Polo Light Sea Blue or White Dress Shirt
SKIRTS	Khaki Skirt Navy Plaid Skirt Black/navy modesty shorts worn underneath.*	Khaki Skirt Navy Plaid Skirt
SKORTS	Khaki Skorts	N/A
JUMPERS	PK-3 rd : Navy Plaid Black/navy modesty shorts worn underneath.*	N/A
PANTS	Khaki Pants If pants have belt loops, a belt is required.*	Khaki Pants If pants have belt loops, a belt is required.*
BELTS*	Brown or Black	Brown or Black
TIGHTS, LEGGINGS, AND SOCKS*	Tights or Leggings (Solids Only) White, Navy, or Black Any Style Socks Solid Colors Only-No Prints in White, Beige, Gray, Navy, or Black	Tights or Leggings (Solids Only) White, Navy, or Black Any Style Socks in any combination of White, Beige, Gray, Navy, or Black 12 th : Any Color Socks
<u>SHOES*</u>	Brown Boat Style Shoes, Navy or Black Dress Shoes, White w/ Navy or Black Saddle Shoes Tennis Shoes in any combination of White, Gray, Navy, or Black Please avoid patterns. Socks are required daily. No High/Mid Tops or Boots	Brown Boat Style Shoes Brown, Navy, or Black Dress Shoes Tennis Shoes in any combination of White, Gray, Navy, or Black Please avoid patterns. Socks are required with tennis shoes. No High/Mid Tops or Boots Rainboots may be worn on heavy rain days.
REQUIRED DRESS UNIFORM	PK-3 rd : White Peter Pan Blouse with Navy Plaid Jumper and any shoes listed above (Dress shoes preferred with Dress Uniform for special events) 4 th -6 th : White Dress Shirt with Navy Plaid Skirt and any non-tennis shoe listed above No High/Mid Tops or Boots	Light Sea Blue or White Dress Shirt Navy Plaid Skirt Brown Boat Style Shoes or Brown, Navy, or Black Dress Shoes No High/Mid Tops or Boots
OUTERWEAR	Navy Cardigan (Zipper or Button) Navy V-Neck Sweater Navy Crew Sweatshirt Navy or Royal Blue Fleece Jacket Navy Packable Rain Jacket	Navy Cardigan (Zipper or Button) Navy V-Neck Sweater Navy Crew Sweatshirt Navy or Royal Blue Fleece Jacket Navy Packable Rain Jacket

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UNIFORM OPTIONS FOR BOYS AND YOUNG MEN (LANDS' END PCS CODE: 900058520)

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ITEM	GRAMMAR (PK-6)	UPPER SCHOOL (7-12)
SHIRTS	Navy or White Polo Blue Oxford	Navy or White Polo Blue or White Oxford
PANTS OR SHORTS	Khaki Pants Khaki Shorts	Khaki Pants Khaki Shorts
BELTS*	Black or Brown Belt PK-1 st : Optional 2 nd -6 th : Required	Black or Brown Belt Required Daily
SOCKS*	Any Style Solid Colors Only-No prints: White, Beige, Gray, Navy, Black	Any Style in any combination of White, Beige, Gray, Navy, or Black 12 th : Any Color Socks
<u>SHOES*</u>	Brown Boat Style Shoes Brown or Black Dress Shoes Tennis Shoes in any combination of White, Gray, Navy, or Black Please avoid patterns. Socks are required daily. No High/Mid Tops or Boots	Brown Boat Style Shoes Brown or Black Dress Shoes Tennis Shoes in any combination of White, Gray, Navy, or Black Please avoid patterns. Socks are required daily. No High/Mid Tops or Boots
REQUIRED DRESS UNIFORM	PreK-3 rd : Blue Oxford, Khaki Pants or Shorts, with any shoe listed above (Khaki Pants and Dress shoes preferred with Dress Uniform for special events) 4 th -6 th : Blue Oxford, Khaki Pants, with any non-tennis shoe listed above No High/Mid Tops or Boots	Blue or White Oxford Tie Khaki Pants Brown Boat Style Shoes or Brown or Black Dress Shoes No High/Mid Tops or Boots
REQUIRED Ties	N/A	7 th -8 th : Classic Navy 9 th -11 th : Classic Navy or Navy Gold Stripe 12 th : Any Appropriate Color or Style*
OUTERWEAR	Navy Cardigan Navy V-Neck Sweater/Vest Navy Crew Sweatshirt Navy or Royal Blue Fleece Jacket Navy Packable Rain Jacket	Navy Cardigan Navy V-Neck Sweater/Vest Navy Crew Sweatshirt Navy or Royal Blue Fleece Jacket Navy Packable Rain Jacket

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