

## LOWER SCHOOL DRESS CODE

The purpose of the dress code is to encourage high standards of modesty, decorum and excellence, and to cultivate a positive and encouraging learning culture. In the Lower School, the dress code is viewed as an opportunity to slowly expose students to choices. As they progress through Trinity (from TK-12), student freedoms increase in the uniform/dress code. Learning to make wise choices is one of the goals of Trinity's uniform/dress code.

The base daily uniform and dress code applies each day unless otherwise noted and announced in advance. Alternative dress days may include:

- Black and Gold Days
- Physical Education Attire on non-Chapel days
- Special Event Days (E.g. Field Day)
- Concerts or other ceremonies

### **Dress Code Infractions for Lower School**

- If a student is out of dress code, the parents may be called and asked to bring the proper attire. Students may be asked to wait in the office until parents arrive.
- Discernment is used to identify an infraction related to a misunderstanding versus an intentional violation of the dress code. While a student who unintentionally is in violation may be required to change clothes and wait in the office until proper clothing arrives, that is not intended as a disciplinary measure.
- Intentional or consistent violation of the dress code will lead to disciplinary actions including loss of privileges for special dress days.

### **Updates regarding 2017-2018 dress code changes:**

- Removed restriction that boys could not wear shorts in winter months. Given some differences in LS versus US (such as PE and a daily recess of typically at least 30 minutes), this is an area that the LS can be different in expectations than in US.
- Lands' End discontinued some items – these items are still allowed to be worn (such as the ruffle shirt for TK-2<sup>nd</sup> grade girls) but are crossed out on the dress code since they cannot be purchased outside of a Used Uniform Sale.
- Lands' End modified some other items such as the PE shorts. The old-style PE shorts are still allowed but are no longer available for purchase online; if you need new PE shorts you may purchase them online under the Trinity Academy school code. The boy shorts are the appropriate shorts for **all** students.
- We added black as a sock color to make it easier to find appropriate socks.
- Points of emphasis this year will be:
  - No shoes with lights
  - Haircuts being neat and conventional, as outlined in the general guidelines
  - Socks meeting dress code (6<sup>th</sup> grade privilege of being able to wear socks with colors or patterns)

## LOWER SCHOOL DRESS CODE – GENERAL GUIDELINES

- Clothing should be neat, clean, modest and appropriately sized. Clothing should be free from holes, tears, and excessive fading.
- Belts should be worn in pants with belt loops (**for both boys and girls**). Exceptions allowed for TK-1<sup>st</sup> grade boys.
- Khaki-colored items must be a “khaki” color and not “olive”.
- Athletic or casual shoes are appropriate. Unsafe shoes such as Crocs, flip-flops, sandals, thongs, or excessively high heels are not permitted. Please note that **boots are not allowed**. Shoestrings should match the shoes and not stand out in contrast to the shoes in either design or color. **Shoes with wheels or lights are not permitted. Shoes should not be a distraction or distinguishing feature of a Trinity Academy student.**
- Socks or tights must be worn with all shoes; bare feet are not permitted. **Socks must be white, black, or navy in color ONLY and visible above the shoe.**
- Body piercing is not permitted (except for girls’ ears).
- Tattoos are not acceptable, either permanent or temporary, except for special spirit days when temporary face stickers may be appropriate as long as they are not distracting from the educational environment.
- No hats, caps, bandanas, or other headwear permitted inside (including the Atrium).
- Hairstyles should be clean, neat, and conventional in style and color. Young men’s hair should be above the eyebrow, off the collar and at/or above the opening of the ear; hair should be tapered with no excessive fullness.
- All clothing items should be labeled with family name.
- Navy logo fleece jackets, navy logo half-zip fleece pullovers, navy cardigans and maize sweater vests may be worn in the classroom. Please note that hoodies or other Trinity Athletic sweatshirts may only be worn outside.

### **Boys:**

- Students are not permitted to wear *cargo* shorts or *cargo* pants.

### **Girls:**

- **All skirts and the tops of slits in skirts should be at or below the knee.**
- **NAVY modesty shorts are required under all jumpers and skirts, year-round. Navy is the only acceptable color for modesty shorts.**
- **Undergarments (camisoles or sports bras) are required to be worn by girls by 4<sup>th</sup> grade.** Girls are especially sensitive as they develop or observe other girls physically maturing and the camisole or sports bra allows girls to feel more secure in this area, even if physical development is not yet visible. Undergarments should especially be worn with light colored polo shirts.
- **Hair accessories which include clip-on feathers or large hair bows of bright colors may not be worn.**
- Young ladies (3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade) have the option to wear khaki pants (Lands’ End) in winter months (end of Thanksgiving Break to start of Spring Break), **only**.

# LOWER SCHOOL DRESSCODE GUIDELINES - BOYS

## TK-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

### Required:

Lands' End white, maize, logo polo shirt (short or long-sleeve)  
Navy pants or shorts (no cargo).  
Belt, solid colored (begins 2<sup>nd</sup> grade)  
White, black, or navy solid socks

### Optional:

Lands' End Microfleece Half-Zip pullover with logo, Classic Navy  
Lands' End Fleece Jacket full-zip with logo, Classic Navy  
Lands' End Drifter Sweater Vest, maize  
Solid white mock or turtleneck  
Solid white undershirt

## 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade

### Required:

Lands' End white, maize, evergreen, logo polo shirt (short or long-sleeve)  
Navy pants or shorts (no cargo).  
Belt (solid colored)  
White, black, or navy socks

### Optional:

Lands' End Microfleece Half-Zip pullover with logo, Classic Navy  
Lands' End Fleece Jacket full-zip with logo, Classic Navy  
Lands' End Drifter Sweater Vest, maize  
Solid white mock or turtleneck  
Solid white undershirt

## **6<sup>th</sup> Grade Modifications (Boys)**

- Boys may wear colored or patterned socks (no neon).
- Starting with 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter, boys may wear Upper School Dress Standard attire on Wednesdays:
  - White, long-sleeved dress shirt (buttoned to top, sleeves may be rolled up twice, after noon)
  - Conservative pattern/striped tie or bow tie
  - White undershirt with no writing
  - Khaki Colored Pants
  - Black or brown belt
  - Brown or Black Dress Shoes
  - Dark dress socks/patterns allowed
  - Navy blazer, worn until noon
  - V-neck sweater may be worn under the blazer in cold conditions

# LOWER SCHOOL DRESSCODE GUIDELINES - GIRLS

## TK-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

### Required:

Lands' End White Peter Pan Plain or ~~Ruffled Collar Blouse~~ (short or long-sleeve)  
Lands' End Uniform Girl's Plaid Jumper  
White, **black**, or navy socks  
Modesty Shorts, navy

### Optional:

Lands' End Fine Gauge Cardigan with logo, Classic Navy  
Lands' End Microfleece Half-Zip pullover with logo, Classic Navy  
Lands' End Fleece Jacket full-zip with logo, Classic Navy  
Navy leggings  
Navy or white tights  
Solid white mock or turtleneck  
Solid white undershirt  
Short-sleeve Polo Dress with logo, Classic Navy

## 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade

### Required:

Lands' End white, maize, evergreen logo polo (short/long sleeve, regular/feminine cut)  
Lands' End Pleated or A-Line Skirt, White Plaid  
White, **black**, or navy socks  
Modesty Shorts, navy  
Undergarments (camisole or sports bra must be worn for 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grades)

### Optional:

Lands' End Uniform Girl's Plaid Jumper (3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade only); worn with White Polo underneath  
Lands' End Khaki pants (winter months only; November-February)  
Lands' End Fine Gauge Cardigan with logo, Classic Navy  
Lands' End Microfleece Half-Zip pullover with logo, Classic Navy  
Lands' End Fleece Jacket full-zip with logo, Classic Navy  
Navy leggings  
Navy or white tights  
Solid white mock or turtleneck  
Solid white undershirt

## **6<sup>th</sup> Grade Modifications (Girls)**

- Girls may wear colored socks (no neon).
- Starting with 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter, girls may wear Upper School Dress Standard attire on Wednesdays:
  - Black Sweater Set (crew or jewel neck, shoulders covered)
  - Necklace or decorative scarf
  - Khaki skirt or solid dark color skirt that compliments sweater set; Skirts 2-3 inches above the knee are acceptable. However, skirts should not be overly tight or form fitting and leggings are not permitted.
  - Dark dress Shoes/ Socks/Tights No HIGH heels (must be 2" or less), leather dress sandals with ankle strap and buckles are ok.

## LOWER SCHOOL DRESS CODE – NON-STANDARD DAYS

### **Black & Gold Day Guidelines –Lower School**

Black & Gold Days are school-wide celebratory days that are announced in advance. Students may choose to wear their normal uniform on these days, or they may wear the following:

- Trinity “spirit wear” tops (Trinity Athletics officially sanctioned clothing including T-shirts, sweatshirts and hoodies)
- Solid black or gold shirts with no logos
- Blue jeans
- Black, navy or khaki pants
- Trinity Academy PE shorts, blue jean shorts or black, navy or khaki shorts (in non-winter months only)
- **No sweatpants or athletic pants may be worn.**
- **No cheerleader outfits, or cheerleader style skirts**

### **Physical Education Uniform - Grades TK-5<sup>th</sup> grade**

PE Uniforms are optional for TK through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Students may participate in PE dressed in their daily uniforms or in the Lands’ End specific PE items that include the standard Trinity logo polo shirt (short or long-sleeve) and navy athletic pants or shorts, purchased only from Lands’ End. Athletic shoes and socks are highly recommended for PE days. When a student’s PE day falls on Wednesday with chapel, they should wear their daily standard uniform, not the PE uniform. **PE uniforms are not worn for Structured Recess. The Boy’s Athletic Shorts are the appropriate shorts for both boys and girls.**

### **Other Special Dress Days**

There will be opportunities during the year for students to dress for the day and out of the typical uniform. During these days, students are required to follow any established guidelines; however, there is often opportunity for discernment and specific choice with these days that cannot be outlined in advance. Parents are expected to make sure that all attire is appropriate for school (modest and aligned to that day’s intended purpose). In the event that a student is not appropriately attired, they may be asked to change clothes. If you are unsure, you may always send your child’s uniform with them as a back-up.

Some basic guidelines for these days:

- No tank tops although at times sleeveless may be appropriate for girls.
- No jerseys (or items with over-large arm holes) unless a shirt is worn underneath.
- No bare/exposed midriff (either via hole or short shirt) or exposed back.
- Athletic shorts, other than PE shorts, are almost always not part of the approved attire unless specifically stated.
- Shorts/skirts should be of an appropriate length and take into account activities of the day.
  - Note – if students will be on stage, a skirt should be longer than you may initially think given the height of the Founders Hall stage.

## LOWER SCHOOL DRESS CODE – ORDERING GUIDELINES

Our uniform provider is Lands' End (**Preferred School No. 9001-2383-7**). Toll free 1-800-469-2222 or [www.landsend.com/school](http://www.landsend.com/school)

**Parents are encouraged to order uniforms prior to August** to ensure availability and delivery prior to the start of school. Certain uniform items are required to be ordered through the uniform provider. Note that Sears at Crabtree Valley Mall has a Lands' End section where returns can be made for FREE. Lands' End always offers FREE shipping on orders of \$50 or more. Periodic sales and FREE logo promotions are shared with Trinity families via Tiger Tales. We encourage you to sign up for notifications directly from Lands' End so you don't miss promotions. PATT offers SCRIP cards for Lands' End that can be used to purchase uniforms.

There are many items that may be purchased from Lands' End. However, only **the ones listed here MUST be purchased from Lands' End** as part of the Lower School dress code.

Please note: this page is to help with ordering correct items but does not list which items are optional/required or which items are only allowed worn during certain months. That information is found under the guidelines for each grade level.

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**TK-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Boys:**

Description from Lands' End	Color	Logo Required
Mesh or Interlock_Polo (short or long sleeve)	White, Maize	Yes
Drifter Sweater Vest	Maize	Yes

**TK-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Girls:**

Uniform Girl's Plaid Jumper	White Plaid	No
Peter Pan Plain Collar Blouse (short or long sleeve, knit or woven)	White	No
Peter Pan Ruffle Collar Blouse (short or long sleeve, knit or woven)	White	No
Fine Gauge Cardigan	Classic Navy	Yes
Short-sleeve Polo Dress	Classic Navy	Yes

**3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys:** All items from TK-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Boys plus

Mesh or Interlock_Polo (short or long sleeve)	White, Maize, Evergreen	Yes
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**3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls:**

Mesh or Interlock_Polo (short or long sleeve) (regular or feminine cut)	White, Maize, Evergreen	Yes
A-line Skirt	White Plaid	No
Pleated Skirt	White Plaid	No
Fine Gauge Cardigan	Classic Navy	Yes
Khaki Pants	Khaki	No

**Available to all grade levels, Boys & Girls:**

Athletic Jacket, Athletic Pant, Athletic Shorts (Boy athletic shorts only for both girls and boys)	Dark Navy	Yes, to all
Fleece jacket (full zip)	Classic Navy	Yes
Microfleece Half-zip	Classic Navy	Yes

