

TRINITY EPISCOPAL SCHOOL DRESS CODE

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Beginning School – Details of appropriate dress for beginning school will be found in the Beginning School Handbook.

The rationale for adopting uniforms is as follows: The experience of schools, parents, and students is that uniforms – (1) may save families money (cost from uniform company is less than brand name clothes and durability is high); (2) have a great leveling influence, in that a uniform eliminates life style and economic competition. Self-esteem is derived from one's person, not from one's attire; (3) save time, both in terms of shopping and deciding what to wear each day; (4) add to school spirit and enhances a sense of belonging; and (5) eliminate dress code questions/issues.

Please contact the school office for information regarding how best to contact the company that supplies Trinity School uniforms.

The following is a list of uniform requirements and options:

All students in Kindergarten through 8th Grade wear the **white polo-style shirt with monogrammed logo** from Parker Uniforms on Tuesday Chapel days unless otherwise announced.

Shoes must be appropriate for PE classes which meet daily. Non-marking sneakers or tennis shoes are required in Lower School (K-5) and in Middle School (6-8). An exception is for Middle School (6-8) on Chapel Dress Days or as announced. Dark colored loafers, top siders and oxford-like dress shoes (no heels over 1") are appropriate for Middle School (6-8) Chapel Dress days if desired. Shoes must enclose the entire foot. The purpose of footwear is to be functional and safe. Remember, playground or physical activity is part of each child's daily experience. "Platform" style shoes are not safe and should not be worn to school. **Shoes that have flashing lights are not allowed in classrooms or chapel.**

Socks, undershirts, and camisoles should be **solid** navy, hunter green, white or black in color. In cold weather, only, students may wear tights **or leggings** in these same colors.

Belts must be worn if clothing has belt loops and may be plain or braided, black, brown, or kahki. Shirts are to be tucked in.

Outerwear such as jackets, sweaters, and sweatshirts used for classroom comfort must be **solid** white, navy, or dark green. Logos, other than Trinity's, must not be visible in the classroom.

In the following list, "*" means that item must be purchased from Parker School Uniforms. They may not be substituted with anything else. Items without "*" means they may be purchased elsewhere.

BOYS K-5 REQUIRED ITEMS

Khaki twill trousers

Khaki twill shorts

*Tie (navy with khaki/green stripe)

White oxford button down collar shirt (short or long sleeve)

White, navy, or dark green polo-style shirt

*One white shirt with monogrammed school logo

Belt, brown, black, or khaki, plain or braided

BOYS 6-8 REQUIRED ITEMS

Khaki twill trousers

Khaki twill shorts

*Tie (navy with khaki/green stripe)

White oxford button down collar shirt (short or long sleeve)

White, navy, or dark green polo-style shirt

* One white shirt with monogrammed school logo

*Dark green sweatshirt w/Trinity logo

Navy blazer

Belt, brown, black, or Khaki, plain or braided

BOYS K-8 OPTIONAL ITEMS

White or navy knit polo-style shirt

Dark green short-sleeve or long sleeve polo-style shirt

White or navy long sleeve polo-style shirt

Navy polar fleece jacket

Navy, green, or white sweatshirt (with or without Trinity Logo)

GIRLS K-5 REQUIRED ITEMS

*Plaid jumper

Khaki twill slacks

Khaki twill shorts

White oxford button down collar shirt (short or long sleeve)

*OR white blouse from Parker

White, navy, or dark green knit polo-style shirt

*One white shirt with monogrammed school logo

Belt, brown, black or khaki, plain or braided

GIRLS 6-8 REQUIRED ITEMS

*Plaid skirt

White oxford button down collar shirt (short or long sleeve) or a white blouse from Parker Uniform.

*White knit polo-style shirt (at least one with school logo)

Navy blazer

Belt, brown, black or khaki, plain or braided

GIRLS K-8 OPTIONAL ITEMS

White or navy knit polo-style shirt

*Dark green long sleeve polo-style shirt

White or navy long sleeve polo-style shirt

*Khaki Culottes or Skort (K-5)

Gym/modesty shorts

Navy polar fleece jacket

Navy, green, or white sweatshirt (with or without Trinity Logo)

Khaki twill slacks

Khaki twill shorts

SPECIAL DRESS DAYS

1. Thursday Chapel is a “Special Dress” day. This means:

Boys K – 5, white button-down collar shirt with tie, khaki pants or shorts

Boys 6 – 8, white button-down collar shirt with tie, and navy blazer and khaki pants

Girls K – 5, plaid jumper and white button-down collar shirt or white blouse from Parker

Girls 6 – 8, plaid skirt, white button-down collar or “Peter-Pan” collar shirt and navy blazer.

Note: Grades 6 – 8: Blazers are not required August through October unless otherwise announced with the following exception: Students wear blazers anytime they read publicly in chapel; this applies year round.

2. Other “Special Dress” days/occasions: On certain other occasions students will be required to follow the Special Dress Day procedure. Examples are trips to the Opera House, Christmas Program, Grandparents Day, Honors Day, and Graduation. **The Trinity white polo-style logo shirt will be required on school field trips, unless otherwise stated.**
3. Dress on “Spirit Days” is not free dress. Participation is optional, but students must wear school uniform if not participating. Special instructions will be given for each Spirit Day as announced.

PLEASE NOTE WELL: When students arrive at school inappropriately dressed, parents will be notified to bring the required clothing. Consistent failure to abide by the dress code will result in disciplinary action. Your cooperation with and respect for the dress code is ***expected and*** greatly appreciated. Teachers will monitor the proper length / shortness of girls' skirts. When kneeling, skirts may not be more than 6 inches from the floor.

Please do not keep uniforms in use after they have become discolored, frayed, or outgrown. Parents will be notified by the school if school personnel notice that a student's uniform needs to be retired. A used uniform store is maintained by parent volunteers and may be accessed via the school office in Moody Hall.

Appearance in General

In order to preserve an optimal academic environment, Trinity does not allow any appearance (hair coloring, length of hair, body piercing, etc) that causes unusual attention or distraction in the classroom.

Hair should not obstruct the eyes.