

## Paideia Dress Expectations

1. We desire to create an educational environment where Christ is glorified in all we do and where nothing, including dress, detracts from that. We want to honor God in all that we do and acknowledge and submit to the lordship of Jesus in everything, including dress.
2. We desire to foster unity among our student body, where undue attention is not drawn to individual students.
3. School is a serious, professional endeavor; we take education seriously and dress as such.
4. Uniforms help engender a cohesive presentation of the students in our school. When our students are in uniform, it communicates, aesthetically, that they are part of the same team, working toward the same goals. The student is part of a group identity that strives for excellence, and the code establishes a tradition toward that end.
5. The uniform code should save parents money. The uniform code de-emphasizes the social impact of dress and helps focus the students on character and academic issues.

Gentlemen's Daily Uniform Options (1 <sup>st</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> Grade)	
Pants - Chino style or slacks	Black, Khaki
Shorts - Chino style	Black, Khaki
Polo - long or short sleeved	White, Grey
Button-down Oxford Shirts - long or short sleeved	White
Fleece - full or quarter-zip (no hood)	Black
Sweaters - v-neck pullover, quarter zip or button pullover or cardigan	Black, Grey
Belt	Black
Gentlemen's Formal Dress Options (1 <sup>st</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> Grade)	
Pants- Chino style or slacks with belt	Black
Button-down Oxford Shirts - long sleeve	White
Paideia Tie (available to purchase through the school office)	Orange
Shoes - dress shoes	Black

Ladies' Daily Uniform Options (1 <sup>st</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> Grade)	
Pants - Chino style, no leggings, or slacks	Black, Khaki
Shorts - Chino style, Bermuda-length	Black, Khaki
Polo - long or short sleeved	White, Grey
Button-down Oxford Shirts - long or short sleeved, peter pan or regular collar	White
Polo dress - long or short sleeved (black leggings, black or white tights, or white knee socks must be worn with dresses)	Black, Grey
Skirt - from approved vendor, pleated and knee length. (black leggings, black or white tights, or white knee socks must be worn with skirt)	Khaki
Fleece - full or quarter-zip	Black
Sweaters - button down cardigan	Black, Grey
Jumper Dress - from approved vendor and must be worn with white peter pan or regular collar oxford shirt. (black leggings, black or white tights, or white knee socks must be worn with dresses)	Khaki
Belt	Black
Ladies' Formal Dress Options (1 <sup>st</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> Grade)	
Jumper Dress - from approved vendor and must be worn with white peter pan or regular collar oxford shirt. (black leggings, black or white tights, white knee socks must be worn with dresses)	Khaki
Shoes - Dress shoes, no heels	Black

## Uniform Clarifications

- 1) Modesty is expected in all things.
- 2) Shirt Clarification:
  - While we have chosen to wear white shirts, we ask that if a white shirt is see-through, please have your son or daughter wear a white or gray shirt/camisole underneath for modesty purposes.
- 3) Pants/Shorts:
  - No jeans. No denim. Girls' pants should be a straight leg style or bootcut/flare style. No skinny style pants, nor overly tight chinos or shorts will be allowed. When in doubt, size up.
- 4) Skirts and dresses:
  - Girls' jumper dresses (Item #527913A59) and skirts (Item #527956A53) should be ordered from Lands' End. (All skirts or dresses worn with white knee-high socks must have scooter shorts worn underneath.)
- 5) Polos or Oxfords shirts should be tucked in at all times for boys. Boys must wear a belt.
- 6) Shoes
  - No distracting, neon, or light up shoes permitted.
  - Please, no heels on girls' shoes
  - Shoes must be closed toe. No sandals, slides or Crocs
  - Snow boots/rain boots are allowed on days when snow or rain is present/imminent.
  - Dress up day shoes – Boys and girls need to have all-black dress shoes. Girls, please no lace, flowers or excessive adornments.
- 7) Winter coats/hats/gloves are allowed at recess, but once in the building, must be hung up. Students are allowed sweaters and fleece zip ups in the classroom.
- 8) Uniform clothing should have no extra adornments, characters or large logos visible.
- 9) We will have official Paideia kids Fleece/Sweaters/polos for sale in the office.
- 10) Uniforms should be clean and in good repair, and students are expected to be in uniform while on the Paideia Christian Academy campus unless specified otherwise.
- 11) Where choices are given, please make sure the specific item (ie: shoes, hair accessories, nail polish, etc) does not draw unnecessary attention.
- 12) The Principal or his/her designee shall have complete discretion to determine whether any of the uniform requirements have been met or violated. If the student is not dress-code compliant and cannot become compliant, the parents will be contacted and the student will wait in the school office until proper uniform attire arrives. The enforcement of the policy is the responsibility of the parents, administration, faculty, and staff.