

DRESS CODE AND APPEARANCE

The dress code of Paideia Classical Academy is a reflection of the values of the Orthodox Church community of which our school is a part, and it can be summed up in one word: modesty. *All clothing must be clean and neat, neither too loose nor too tight, and not frayed nor torn, nor stained/dirty.* **All clothing should be without logos except for the school logo**, and free of any advertisements or media images; our community does not wish to promote or advertise any entity inside of our school or allow the appearance of our patent approval of any ideas, messages or images that may be contrary to our faith by allowing such items of clothing into our dress code. We realize that some clothing has a brand logo on it that cannot be removed, and as such, may be worn if the logo does not exceed 2 inches in length. You are not required to buy your uniforms from Land's End, but they must be similar in style if bought elsewhere; please see our uniform choices on the Land's End website in order to be familiar with and comply with our dress code. If an item is not offered as a Paideia uniform choice at Land's End, then it is not part of our dress code and your student will be seen as not in compliance with the dress code policy if they come to school wearing such an item. Please do not take liberties with "extras" such as sweatshirts, leggings, scarves, etc., as it creates an environment of confusion for other students as to what is and is not acceptable. There are choices to address all weather in and out of the classroom (sweaters for chilly days or chilly classrooms, short-sleeved shirts for warmer weather, etc.). If you have any questions about the dress code, please inquire in the school office.

For All Students

No jewelry or accessories are allowed other than a watch and/or a cross. No makeup except blemish cover is allowed for students from PK through 8th grade during Early Care, School, or After Care hours; Rhetoric girl students are allowed modest, minimal makeup at the discretion of the Director (please refer to *1 Timothy 2:9* and *1 Peter 3:3-4*). Earrings for girls are permitted but must remain modest such as studs and small hoops. Only one piercing is acceptable per ear and no other piercings on the body are acceptable. Students are not allowed to dye their hair, and hair should be neat and away from the eyes. No nail polish is allowed. Students are expected to be well groomed. Uniforms need to be clean, in good condition and repair (No holes, no ripped knees, etc.) ***All students must be in proper and complete uniform when entering school.***

Dress Code for Boys in Primary, Grammar, Logic and Rhetoric

Shirt: Light blue or white, long or short-sleeved, no pocket oxford shirt. No polo style shirt. The school logo must be on the student's shirt per what is shown on the Land's End website; iron-on school logo patches can be purchased from the school office for \$6.00 each if you purchase shirts from a source other than Land's End. ***Shirt must be buttoned up in tucked in before entering school.***

Tie: The school tie is optional for the school day but will be required on liturgy days and special events (Christmas program, End of school year, etc.) The tie is available in the school's plaid or dark navy blue; the navy option could be purchased most anywhere inexpensively.

Pants: Navy blue pants.

Socks: Navy blue or white socks only. *No other color allowed.*

Shoes: Comfortable black, dark brown or dark navy blue dressy-casual, closed-toe/closed heel shoes. *No athletic/canvas shoes.*

Belt: Black belt must be worn daily.

Hair: Boys' hair should be worn above the shirt collar and well groomed. No designs or lines allowed.

Dress Code for Girls in Primary, Grammar, Logic and Rhetoric

Shirts: Light blue or white **Peter Pan collar**, long or short sleeved blouse. **No polo shirts.** The school logo must be on the student's blouse per what is shown on the Land's End website (iron-on school logo patches can be purchased from the school office for \$6.00 each if you purchase shirts from a source other than Land's End).

Skirt: Navy blue or plaid **knee length** skirt.

Jumper: Navy blue or plaid **knee length** jumper with school logo, to be worn with light blue or white **Peter Pan collar** blouse. The jumper option does not require the blouse to also have the logo since it is not seen beneath the jumper.

Socks: Dark navy blue or white, cuff/knee socks or footed tights. No leggings. (See winter wear). *No other color allowed.*

Shoes: Comfortable, black, dark brown or dark navy blue closed-toe/closed heel, dressy-casual shoes (Mary Jane style) *No athletic/canvas shoes.*

Hair Accessories: Girls may wear simple hair accessories such as barrettes or elastic bands to keep their hair neat. *No glitter or character accessories allowed.*

Dress Code for Boys in Pre-School, Pre-K, Kindergarten

Shirts: Light blue or white, short or long sleeved shirt or polo shirt. The school logo must be on the student's shirt per what is shown on the Land's End website (iron-on school logo patches can be purchased from the school office for \$6.00 each if you purchase shirts from a source other than Land's End).

Pants: Navy blue pants. Elastic waist is acceptable and recommended for this age.

Socks: dark navy blue or white socks. *No other color allowed.*

Shoes: Comfortable black, dark brown or dark navy blue closed-toe/closed heel shoes.

Dress Code for Girls in Pre-School, Pre-K, Kindergarten

Shirt: Light blue or white, short or long sleeved, **Peter Pan collar** blouse or **Peter Pan collar** polo shirt.

Skirt: Navy blue or plaid **knee length** skirt.

Jumper: Navy blue or plaid **knee length** jumper with school logo, to be worn with light blue or white **Peter Pan collar** shirt. The jumper option does not require the shirt to also have the logo since it is not seen beneath the jumper.

Polo Dress: Navy blue, knee length polo dress with school logo.

Socks: **Dark** navy blue or white cuff/knee socks or footed tights. *No other color allowed.* No leggings. (See winter wear)

Shoes: Comfortable black, dark brown or dark navy blue closed-toe/closed heel shoes.

Physical Education (hereafter "PE") uniform for all students

Shorts/Pants: Cobalt blue, also sometimes called royal blue, knee length sport shorts or athletic pants.

Shirt: PCA Bee shirt, available for purchase in school office or Plain white t-shirt with school logo

Socks: White or Navy blue cuff/knee length socks. No other color.

Shoes: Appropriate athletic shoes. No light up shoes.

*Pre-School, Pre-K, Kindergarten, Primary and Grammar should come to school in their PE uniform on PE days.

*Logic and Rhetoric will wear regular school uniform and change into PE uniform. Classroom Teacher will provide further instructions

Winter Wear: All students, Navy blue cardigan sweater or jacket with school logo. No sweat shirts, no hoodies, no hats. No other color sweater or jacket allowed. No other logos except school logo.

Under 65 degrees weather, girls may wear dark navy blue or white leggings *with* dark navy blue or white socks or footed tights under their skirts or jumpers.