

The Covenant School
LOWER SCHOOL Uniform & Dress Guidelines
2012-2013

All clothing should be purchased from the Land's End Store (www.landsend.com). Go to school uniforms and choose Covenant Lower School, code 900132564. You will see all the selections that have been approved for Lower School. Items may also be purchased from The Land's End Store at Sears. Items such as footwear, belts, and accessories may be purchased from any vendor, provided they meet general dress guidelines.

Lower School Uniform Guidelines

Boys

Shirts:

Students can wear one of the following:

- polo (short or long sleeve), or
- dress-shirt (short or long sleeve), or
- rugby shirt, or turtleneck

If a student is wearing a t-shirt underneath one of the above, it must be a plain white or gray t-shirt and must not extend below the outer-garment's hem or sleeve.

Pants/Shorts:

Students can wear one of the following:

- pants, or
- shorts

Belts MUST be worn at all times by students in grades 4-6.

Sweaters/Fleeces/Jackets (Optional)

Student may wear the following in addition to one of the required shirts:

- crew, v-neck, or cardigan sweater, or
- sweater vest, or
- micro-fleece pullover, or
- TCS sweatshirt, or
- fleece jacket

All Sweaters/Fleeces/Jackets worn inside the building during the school day must be a Covenant item or from Land's End. Jackets and outerwear do not need to be from Lands' End, but should be worn outdoors only.

Footwear

Student's footwear must meet the following criteria:

- any form of tennis, leather-casual, or dress shoes or boots with closed toes and backs

Students are free to wear any socks, provided they are in good repair.

Chapel Dress Code

Students must wear:

- navy polo shirt with the Covenant logo (short or long sleeve), and
- khaki pants or shorts, and
- socks
- shoes and shoes

Girls

Tops:

Students can wear one of the following:

- polo (short or long sleeve), or
- shirt or blouse (short or long sleeve), or
- peter pan polo or shirt, or turtleneck

Bottoms:

Student can wear one of the following:

- pants, or
- shorts, or
- skirt, or skort, or kilt

Belts MUST be worn at all times with any of the above that have belt loops by students in grades 4-6.

Dresses/Jumpers:

Student can wear one of the following:

- jumper, and
- polo or blouse, or
- dress

Sweaters/Fleeces/Jackets (Optional)

Students may wear the following in addition to one of the required tops:

- crew, v-neck, or cardigan sweater, or
- sweater vest, or
- micro-fleece pullover, or
- TCS sweatshirt, or
- fleece jacket

All Sweaters/Fleeces./Jackets worn inside the building during the school day must be a Covenant item or from Land's End. Jackets and outerwear do not need to be from Lands' End, but should be worn outdoors only.

Footwear

Student's footwear must meet the following criteria:

- any form of tennis, leather-casual, or dress shoes or boots with closed toes and backs

Students are free to wear any socks or tights, provided they are in good repair.

Accessories

Students may wear the following in addition to the uniform requirements:

- headbands, jewelry, and scarves

Chapel Dress Code

Students may choose from:

- navy polo with the Covenant logo (short/long sleeve), and
- khaki pants or skirt/skort/kilt, and
- navy jumper with white polo or shirt, or
- navy dress
- socks or tights, and shoes

Lower School Dress Guidelines

The following guidelines outline the expectations that govern student dress and appearance. **No aspect of a student's dress or appearance should serve as a distraction to the school environment.** The School expects that the students and parents will make every effort to comply with the following guidelines – which apply equally to all students:

The School believes that it is important for students to be neat and clean and to wear clothing in good condition and appropriate to the season. Students are expected to dress and style their hair in a manner that allows a degree of individual expression without being extreme and attracting unnecessary attention. Students should dress warmly enough during the cold months to maintain good health and subsequently will be kept inside during recess or break if long pants, jackets, or appropriate outerwear are not worn and/or brought to school.

Dress Code for special assemblies and Closing Ceremonies will be sent home to parents prior to these events.

Pre-K-grade 3 Dress Guidelines

Students should wear clothing that covers them, fits loosely but appropriately, rides on the waist and does not expose undergarments or midriff. Clothing should be in good repair (no cut or torn edges or holes), and skirts and shorts should cover half the thigh. **On P.E. days students are required to come to school wearing sneakers and socks and clothing conducive to stretching, running, calisthenics, and sports.**

Grades 4 – 6 Dress Guidelines

Students should wear clothing that covers them, fits loosely but appropriately, rides on the waist, and is in good repair (no cut, torn, frayed edges, or holes).

Students' shirts and tops must not expose undergarments or midriff when arms are raised or when students are seated. No sleeveless attire is acceptable.

Students' pants, shorts, or skirts must ride on the waist and completely cover undergarments, which should be not be visible at any time while meeting the normal physical requirements (sitting in desks, playing basketball, etc.) of a school day.

Shorts and skirts must be no more than 4 inches above the knee. With arms straight down at sides, shorts and skirts should cover thighs so fingertips don't touch skin.

On P.E. days, students are required to come to school wearing sneakers and socks and clothing conducive to stretching, running, calisthenics, and sports. There is neither space nor time for students to change clothes for P.E.

Dress Code violations will result in the opportunity for the student to correct their dress to be in compliance for the rest of the school day. Additionally, students who wear offensive or immodest material to school will be sent home, or a parent will be called to bring them appropriate clothing. The administration of the School reserves the right to make subjective judgments about a student's attire regarding compliance or any condition that may not be covered by the guidelines above.

For the 2012-2013 school year; students who already have khaki or navy pants or shorts may bring them to school administration for approval to use as uniform wear. **Garment must be similar in fabric, color, and style to our new uniform guidelines.**