

TRINITY LUTHERAN SCHOOL DRESS CODE

God has created each of our students with very special and individual gifts. Trinity Lutheran School students are encouraged to discover and respect their own uniqueness as well as that of others in ways that go beyond outward dress.

At Trinity, the school atmosphere is to be conducive to the best teaching and learning, free from distractions including those caused by inappropriate appearance. In addition, as a Christian school, the image our student body projects is important.

TLS students' appearance is to be suitable for the school-related event they are attending. Cleanliness, neatness and appropriate attire are expected of students at all times.

A "Standard of Dress" guide is not meant to place too much attention on clothing. At school, students are to be more concerned with their spiritual and educational growth than with what they and others are wearing.

Parents are expected to assume the responsibility of implementing the dress code.

Standard of Dress

Students are allowed to wear any of the listed clothing items in an appropriate manner and proper size.

No logos may appear on or be seen through any clothing (except on approved *TLS Wear*).

° Pants (ankle, cropped length capris) shorts, skirts, skorts, jumpers

Color: plain, non-patterned, navy blue or khaki brown

Fabric: cords, twill, gabardine, chino

Hems: neatly and securely stitched

No cargo pants

Waistbands: fitted and worn at the waist (above the hipbone)

Leg style: plain, straight-leg, classic or pleated fit only

Length:

Pants: ankle length and no longer than top of shoe

Cropped: no shorter than 5 inches above ankle (not knee length or mid-calf length)

Shorts: walking short style, no more than 2 inches above knee and may not be below the knee. No cargo shorts.

Skirts/Skorts: no more than 4 inches above the knee

° Shirts

Polo shirt, long or short sleeve

Colors: plain, non-patterned, white, light blue, navy blue, royal blue or burgundy

Turtleneck, long sleeve

Colors: plain, non-patterned, white, light blue, navy blue, royal blue, or burgundy

Dress shirts or blouses

Colors: plain, non-patterned, white, light blue, navy blue, royal blue or burgundy.

Dress shirts with tails must be tucked in and all others should fall no more than 4 inches below the waist. Only top layered shirt should be visible.

° Sweatshirt, crew neck or hooded style (Uniform shirt to be worn underneath sweatshirts)

Colors: TLS logo sweatshirts, plain navy blue or plain gray and all must be sized appropriately

° Fleece vest (Uniform shirt to be worn underneath)

Color: navy blue

° V-neck sweater vest, crew neck or cardigan sweater (Uniform shirt to be worn underneath)

Colors: navy blue or burgundy

° Socks/tights

Color: solid colored white, black, navy blue or brown

Must be worn with all shoes; sandals with heel straps may be worn without socks.

Girls: tights, knee-highs or panty hose are permitted - plain, non-patterned white, navy blue or skin-tone

° Shoes/Sandals

Colors: must be predominantly white, black, navy or brown (no gray or tan) and must have a closed heel or heel strap (athletic shoes in these colors are acceptable).

° Hats are to be removed at all times inside the building. Students must wear proper head gear (hat, hood or umbrella) on the playground in wet weather.

° Coats or jackets must be worn when teachers judge the weather warrants it. Coats may not be worn inside.

° Bare waists, bare midriffs, bare backs and low necklines are not permitted.

° Tattoos, both permanent and temporary, marking or drawing on skin with pen or marker are not permitted.

° Unnatural coloring of hair is not permitted other than with special permission. (reasonable bleaching and tinting is acceptable)

° Body piercing other than ears is not permitted.

Dress Code Guidelines

° The principal will make final decisions regarding the appropriate choice of clothing for any student.

° Clothing may be purchased from any vendor as long as all pieces meet the above stated criteria.

° Clothing should be clean and in good repair.

° All *TLS Wear* clothing must meet the dress code standards and be approved by the principal before ordered and sold to students. The principal may choose to approve special team garments that are designed outside of Trinity's control.

° The principal must give prior approval for uniforms from other youth organizations (like Scouts, Campfire, etc) to be worn on the days of their meetings. If student wears only a partial organization uniform, a Trinity uniform must complete it.

° The principal will schedule "free dress" days. On free dress days, students are expected to follow all dress code expectations except wearing uniform clothing, including proper fit and no inappropriate slogans or logos. Trinity uniform clothing may be worn on "free dress" days.

Uniform Dress Code Policy

School uniforms are required for students in all grades, Pre-Kindergarten through Grade. Uniforms are to be worn everyday from the first day of school until the last, including field trips. However, it will be at the discretion of the principal to schedule occasional "free dress" days. Some field trips may warrant other appropriate attire and that decision will be made by the teacher and principal.

When students come to school without their uniform, the Board of Education policy is:

First time: Student will receive written warning from the teacher which the parents will have to sign and return.

Second time: **Student** will call a parent, who in turn will have to bring a uniform to school so that the student can change.

Third time: Student will be sent home by the principal.

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