

CPLS Uniform Policy – Updated September 2021

Recent Changes and Clarifications highlighted in yellow

Parents are primarily responsible for assuring that their student follows the dress code requirements. Students are secondarily responsible. Compliance with the dress code reflects respect for authority, reduces distractions, and helps to forge a distinctive school culture.

All Students

1. Uniforms must have a proper fit and should not be over-sized or too tight.
2. Clothing must be in good repair with no split seams, stains, holes, fading or discoloration.
3. Shirts must always be tucked into waistbands.
4. Hats are not allowed in the classroom.
5. Outerwear approved to be worn in the classroom includes uniform sweaters, uniform fleece, and “spirit-wear” items (including sweatshirts and jackets) that are available by special order through the Athletic Department. Non-approved outerwear should be removed prior to entering the classroom if coming from outside and should NOT be worn during travel between classes within the building.
6. T-Shirts worn under uniform shirts must be solid red, navy, grey, or white. Long sleeved t-shirts are not to be worn under short sleeved polo shirts.
7. Belts can be navy, red, white, brown, black, or school uniform plaid. Belts with patterns or designs are allowed when the above colors are used. Clothing with belt loops must be worn with a belt. Kindergarten and 1st grade students are not required to wear belts.
8. Bleaching or unnatural coloring of the hair is prohibited. No extreme or distracting hairstyles including, but not limited to, mohawks, faux-hawks etc. Final decisions made by administration.
9. Tattoos must remain covered.
10. Neckties in the CPLS plaid pattern are allowed when worn with an oxford (not a polo) shirt. Striped neck ties associated with one of the four CPLS Houses are approved students in 9th-12th.

11. Shoe Guidelines

- * Acceptable shoe colors are navy, white, red, grey, black or brown. Other colors are allowed as accents, but not as the predominant color. Shoes should be sensible and coordinate with uniform colors. See the shoe guideline on the website for more information.
- * Sneakers are the only foot-wear appropriate for gym class.
- * Shoes with eyelets must be laced and tied.
- * Dress shoes and dress sandals are permitted.
- * NO flip flops, Crocs, Vibram Five Fingers, Athletic Slides, or similar shoe is allowed.
- * Backless footwear is permitted for grades 7-12, but not permitted for K-6.
- * Boots are acceptable when they follow the rules regarding color.

Females:

1. **Hair Accessories:** must be school colors or neutral and coordinate with the uniform. Distracting hair pieces like feathers, bandanas, scarfs, and laurel wreaths are not allowed. Headbands should not have commercial logos.
2. **Socks and Tights:** must be solid navy blue, white, dark grey, or black. Patterns, designs, red, and heather-grey (resembling sweatpants) are NOT approved.
3. **Leggings K-6:** Because they are still participating in outdoor recess, K-6 girls may wear solid leggings in navy blue, white, dark grey or black. Patterns, designs, red, and heather- grey (resembling sweatpants) are NOT approved. Leggings must reach ankles (not mid-calf).
4. Neither tights nor leggings should be worn under shorts.
5. **Jewelry** should be simple, coordinate with uniform colors, and not distract. Earrings are the only acceptable piercings.
6. Light facial makeup is acceptable.
7. Note that blouses, including those with rounded “peter pan” collars, are not part of the uniform.

Males:

1. Matching socks should be solid navy, black, brown, dark grey, or white. Red socks are not approved.
2. Facial hair is not allowed, and sideburns may not extend below the bottom of the ear.
3. Hair must be cut above the eyebrows, ears, and collar.
4. No earrings or other piercings.

DAILY ATTIRE FOR K-12th GRADES

SHIRTS FOR ALL STUDENTS:

Short-sleeve and long sleeve red, white, or navy polo shirts may be purchased from any vendor. We follow the **Rule of Resemblance** which says that polo shirts must closely resemble the style and color of the polo shirts from Lands’ End.

- Polo shirts cannot have breast pockets or any embroidered brand logo other than the CPLS embroidered crest.
- Shirts must be solid in color and can be either pique (mesh) or interlock style.
- “Golf shirts” and performance polos made from “dri-fit” material are not allowed.
- Feminine cut shirts with capped sleeves are approved, but shirts should not be tight fitting.

White Oxford Dress Shirts: Short or long sleeved plain white oxford dress shirts are approved uniform pieces and can be purchased from any store.

SHORTS AND PANTS FOR BOYS

Purchased only from an approved vendor on page 6:

Class Act: A+ or School Apparel in either Khaki or Navy (no cords or cargos).

Dickies: Select shorts or pants in Desert Sand, Navy, Dark Navy or Khaki (not olive)

The following styles are **NOT** approved: Cargo, Mesh, 5-pocket Twill, Cords, Carpenter, or Skinny Fit.

Lands' End: Any style Chino Pant or Shorts (**except Chino Cadet** or Cargos) in the School Uniform Dept. in Classic Navy or Khaki.

SHORTS AND PANTS FOR GIRLS

Purchased only from an approved vendor on page 6 and may not be shorter than 2" above the knee.

Class Act: A+ or School Apparel Khaki or navy pants or shorts (no cords or cargos).

K-12 brand "contemporary fit" pants

Dickies: Select shorts or pants in Desert Sand, Navy, Dark Navy or Khaki (**not** olive)

The following styles are **NOT** Approved: Skinny fit, Low-rise, 5 pocket Twill, Utility, Performance, Cargo, and Capri

Lands' End: Any style Chino Pant or Shorts in the School Uniform Dept. in Navy or Khaki

JUMPERS, SKIRTS & SKORTS (GIRLS) –

Purchased from an approved vendor and may not be shorter than 2" above the knee.

Class Act: A+ Drop Waist Skort in Khaki, Navy or CPLS Plaid (ONLY Jr sizes for appropriate length)

Becky Thatcher Drop Waist Skort in NAVY ONLY

K-12 brand Wrap Skort in Khaki or Navy (sizes 4-6 for K–2nd grade only)

A+ Large-Tartan-Plaid Jumper

Lands' End: "Pleated" Skirt in either Classic Navy, Khaki, or Large Plaid

"Plaid" Jumper in Classic Navy Large Plaid (**not** Solid, Ponte' Pleat, Solid Button A-Line, or Plaid Button Front A-Line)

"A-Line" Skirt. Only approved in "Classic Navy Large Plaid".

The Blend Chino Skort in Classic Navy or Khaki was discontinued from our uniform in 2018. This skort will be "grandfathered-in" and may still be worn if it is less than 2 inches above the knee.

SWEATERS & FLEECE for GIRLS & BOYS *Purchased from one of these vendors*

Approved colors are navy blue or red. **White sweaters are not part of the uniform.**

Class Act: A+ Cardigan

 Fleece Pullover with or without the CPLS embroidered logo

 A+ Sweater Vest with or without CPLS embroidered logo

Lands' End: The below options are approved in either Classic Navy or Red

 Fine Gauge Performance Cotton Cardigan (v-neck or crew-neck)

 Midweight Fleece Quarter-Zip Jacket

NAVY BLAZERS FOR 9TH-12TH GRADE STUDENTS

High School boys and girls may choose to wear a navy blazer jacket when wearing a white oxford and their house ties. Like we do for polo shirts, we will follow the **Rule of Resemblance** which says blazers should closely resemble the style and color of the "Hopsack Blazer" in deep navy from Lands' End.



PHYS ED CLASSES

 K – 12th: Must wear (or bring) tennis shoes on P.E. days.

 7th – 12th: Clothing for class should be modest shorts and tops, or warm-ups.

SPORTS/ACADEMIC TEAMS

CPLS team members may wear their team/competition jerseys and attire to school on game days and competitions with the approval of the coach. For modesty, sleeveless sports jerseys require a white short sleeved shirt underneath. All shirts must be tucked in.

SPIRIT-WEAR (ordered twice each year through the CPLS Athletic Department)

Items approved for daily wear, include sweatshirts (hoodie and crewneck) and track jackets. Last names can be added to the back in 2-inch black or white letters. No nicknames or phrases.

Other items are available but are not approved for daily wear: hats, sweatpants, and t-shirts.

Note that items, including sweatshirts and hoodies, that refer to a specific team and year (tournament or league championships), team jerseys, and team warm-up shirts are not part of the daily uniform.

Final decisions on clothing and appearance will be made by Administration

CONCERT ATTIRE REQUIREMENTS

K-4th Grade Students:

Dressy clothing as appropriate for the season with dress shoes.

5th - 8th Grade Students

The below attire is required several times throughout the year --at concert events, speech performances, and some field trips. Every piece required for “concert attire” can also be worn daily as part of the regular uniform. Plain white oxfords may be purchased from any vendor.

Boys:

- Any approved Khaki uniform pant
- White long-sleeved button-down oxford shirt
- Navy V-neck sweater vest from Class Act Uniform Store
- Regular Tie (no bow ties) and the preferred pattern is the CPLS Plaid
- **Solid black or brown** dress shoes (no athletic footwear) with dark socks. No boots

Girls:

- Drop Waist Pleated Skort from Class Act Uniform Store ONLY in Junior Sizes (for appropriate length)
- White, long-sleeved button-down oxford shirt (no rounded “peter pan” collars)
- Navy V-neck sweater vest from Class Act Uniform Store
- Solid black or brown dress shoes should be flats or have a heel no higher than 1 inch.
- No boots.
- Nude hosiery is optional.

9th – 12th Grade Choir Members:

Females: Black dress or black skirt/black top with sleeves with modest neckline and hemmed to knee or below. Nude hosiery is optional. **Black** shoes should be flats or have a heel no higher than 1 inch. No boots

Males: Solid white button-down oxford shirt with dark tie, black dress jacket and black dress pants, black socks and black dress shoes.

APPROVED VENDORS

Approved attire may be purchased from the three vendors listed below.

1. Lands' End 1-800-469-2222 www.landsend.com/school

Use our Preferred Customer #9000-3495-0 to conveniently view the approved uniform items for our school. When you do this, Lands' End donates a percentage of our sales back to CPLS!

2. Class Act 785-273-0551 301 SW Gage Blvd, Topeka, KS 66604
Online at www.classactmidwest.net



The advertisement banner for Lands' End School Uniform features a dark blue background on the left with the text "LANDS' END SCHOOL UNIFORM" in white. On the right, there is a photograph of two smiling children, a girl and a boy, wearing school uniforms. A red "SHOP" button is positioned to the right of the photo. Below the main banner, there is a smaller section with a white background and a photograph of a young girl looking at a yellow pencil. The text "Superior Quality Uniforms Designed With Kids in Mind" is written above a list of items: "• Jumpers", "• School Shirts", and "• Corporate Embroidery". The "CLASS ACT uniforms" logo is visible in the bottom right corner of this section.

3. Dickies



These can be purchased online year-round at www.dickies.com, www.amazon.com or www.walmart.com and can sometimes be found at local Wal-Mart, JCPenney, and Target stores.