## Educational Outfitters

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NCS has partnered with Educational Outfitters to provide quality dress code clothing that can be purchased from their local store. Our embroidered school logo is included in the price of the polo shirts, sweaters, and sweatshirts. Families may choose to visit the store to try on items and make their purchases, or items may be ordered and shipped to the home.


## Polo Shirts

Colors: navy, red, evergreen, maize, or white Long or short-sleeved May be purchased from other stores if the shirt is an exact match to the item from Educational Outfitters. NCS logo is not required if purchased from another store.

## Pants \& Shorts

Purchase from Educational Outfitters or find an exact match at another store.
Khaki or navy. Slit style pockets.
Shorts must be knee length.
No tight fit styles (pencil, skinny, etc.). No cargo styles.
Jeans ( $1^{\text {st }}-3^{\text {rd }}$ grade only): Must be plain straight leg or slight boot cut. Dark blue denim only. No distressed or faded looks. No tight fit styles or extra embellishments.


## Sweaters \& Sweatshirts

 Must be purchased from Educational Outfitters. Must have NEW NCS logo.

Classic Crew Neck Cardigan

Colors: red, green, navy, gray


V-neck Cardigan with pocket
Colors: red, green, navy, gray


V-neck pullover
Colors: red, green, navy, gray


1/4 Zip Cadet Collar Sweatshirt

Colors: red, green, navy


Full Zip Fleece
Colors: red, navy

## Jumpers \& Skirts

Must be purchased from Educational Outfitters. Must be knee length or longer. Shorts or leggings must be worn under these items.


Socks: These items may be purchased anywhere. Socks must be solid navy, gray, black, or white only (if visible). Tights (navy, gray, black, or white) may be worn under skirts, jumpers, and dresses. Solid full-length leggings (navy, gray, black, or white) with solid socks may also be worn under skirts, jumpers, and dresses.


## Dress Code Policies

The dress code is one of the most talked about issues in any school. The policy attempts to promote modesty, humility, and value. The dress code will never appeal to everyone, but it can serve a higher purpose of teaching all of us to value the principle of obedience.
The following dress code information is for $1^{\text {st }}-8^{\text {th }}$ grade students.

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## Polo Shirts

- Colors: navy, red, evergreen, maize, white
- No logos other than NCS logo
- No tight fit
- Undershirt is allowed only in plain white.No sleeves shown from undershirt.
- Shirts must be tucked in.


## Sweaters \& Sweatshirts

- Must purchase from Educational Outfitters with the NCS Logo
- Color options vary by style. See store for details
- Must wear polo shirt under these items


## Jeans ( $1^{\text {st }}-3^{\text {rd }}$ grade only)

- Straight leg or slight boot cut
- Traditional dark blue denim only - no faded or distressed looks
- No extra designs/stitching (simple swirl is okay)
- No low rise, flares, slim fit, skinny, or cargo style


## Dress Pants \& Shorts

- Purchase from Educational Outfitters or find an exact match from another retailer
- Slit back pockets
- Straight leg style
- Must be correct colors (khaki or navy)
- No tight fit (skinny, pencil, etc.)
- No cargo style
- Shorts must be knee length
- Shorts may not be worn November - March (except for grades 7\&8)


## Jumpers (1 ${ }^{\text {st }}-5^{\text {th }}$ grade only)

- Must purchase from Educational Outfitters
- Jumper Colors: khaki, navy, NCS plaid
- Must be knee length
- Modesty shorts must be worn under jumpers


## Skirts

- Must purchase from Educational Outfitters
- Color options vary by style. See store for details
- Must be at knee or below
- No tight fit
- Modesty shorts must be worn under skirts


## Polo Dress 1 ${ }^{\text {st }}$ - 5 th grade

- Although we are no longer using Lands' End as our school uniform vendor, the Lands' End Polo Dress is still allowed as part of the NCS dress code. Approved colors are navy and red only. Contact the school office for more information.


## Socks, Tights, Leggings

- Must be solid navy, gray, black or white only (if visible)
- Leggings may be worn under skirts, jumpers, and dresses. Must be full length (to ankle) and worn with socks of the same color.


## Shoes

- Snow boots may not be worn in the classroom. Dress boots may be worn if they are ankle height only
- Sandals must have a back strap and be worn with socks
- No slippers


## Haircuts \& Makeup

- Hairstyles must be neat and conservative and not distract other students.
- Hair dye is only allowed if it is a natural hair color.
- Hair accessories must be moderate in size and color. No bandana-style headwear.
- No shaved heads or faux hawks.
- Makeup is not allowed for students in $5^{\text {th }}$ grade and lower. Girls in grades 6-8 may wear moderate makeup. No glitter makeup.
- Permanent and stick-on tattoos are not allowed. Drawing on one's skin with a pen or marker is not allowed.


## Jewelry

- Jewelry will be modest. One bracelet and/or necklace is allowed at a time. It must be less than $1 / 8$ inch thick. Wrist sweatbands are not allowed.
- Earrings must be small and not dangling. Hoops must be $1 / 2$ inch or less.
- Jewelry must not be distracting in class.


## Other Dress Code Information

- Clothing must be clean and free from holes or rips.
- Grades 6 and below - November through March: Students may not wear shorts. Tights or leggings must be worn with skirts and dresses.
- No outer garments or non-dress code items (including Spirit Wear) may be worn inside the building during school hours.
- No sunglasses or hats are to be worn inside the building.
- $5^{\text {th }}-8^{\text {th }}$ grade girls may keep purses in their lockers for restroom breaks. Purses are not allowed in chapel, classrooms, the lunchroom, or at recess.


## Non-Dress Code Days \& Jeans Days

Students are expected to dress modestly for all school days and school events/trips. Before a field trip, the teacher will review appropriate attire for the day. If a student is wearing clothing that is inappropriate for school, the parent will need to bring a change of clothes before the student can participate in the trip. During non-dress code days or jeans days, students are expected to observe the following guidelines.

- Clothing must be school appropriate. This includes graphics and words on t-shirts.
- Shorts \& skirts must adhere to the length guidelines for the dress code.
- Clothing must not be tight fitting.
- No sleeveless styles. No spaghetti straps. No lace camisoles.
- No leggings or pajama pants.
- Jeans must be plain, dark blue denim with a straight leg or slight bootcut. No skinny jeans. Jeans may not have holes, be faded, or have a distressed style.


## Uniforms for P.E. Class

Students in $5^{t^{\text {th }}-8^{\text {th }}}$ grade change for P.E. classes. They must wear the NCS P.E. uniform, which is purchased from Educational Outfitters. See store for details.

For the 2023-2024 school year, ONLY: Dress code items that were approved for the 2022-2023 school year are still allowed. Items that were previously purchased from Lands' End may be worn. Beginning in the 2024-2025 school year, only items that meet the updated dress code are permitted.

## Spirit Wear

NCS Spirit Wear shirts may be worn on designated Spirit Wear Days. These are scheduled at the beginning of the year and typically take place on the last Friday of each month and on any half-days. Students wear regular NCS dress code pants, shorts, or skirts with their Spirit Wear unless special permission has been given for a jeans/sweats day (sometimes this is done as a fundraiser). Some Spirit Wear items that are classified as outerwear or accessories, may not be worn on Spirit Wear Days. See additional information below.

- Fun Run shirts (from the current school year) may be worn as Spirit Wear..
- 8th-grade class shirts may be worn as Spirit Wear, but other class shirts may not.
- Homemade items may not be worn as Spirit Wear.

Information about Spirit Wear sales will be posted in the Cougar News.

## Discipline for Dress Code Violations

There is a difference between forgetfulness and disobedience. We will respond appropriately to either reason for not wearing the proper school dress code. Parents must supervise their child's selection of clothing each day.

1. The first time a student is out of dress code, one verbal warning will be given to the student.
2. If there is a second dress code violation, an email with the violation information will be sent to the parents.
3. If the problem continues, an administrator will call parents to seek a solution and the student will be given one detention.

Please note: If a student is wearing clothing that is inappropriate for school, s/he will have to change into dress code clothing supplied by the school office (from the donated dress code clothing supply). If no suitable clothing is available at school, a parent will need to bring clothes or pick up the student.

## Dress Code Expectations in Preschool - Kindergarten

- Students do not follow our full dress code (listed on the previous pages) until they enter 1st grade.
- Students in Preschool - Kindergarten should dress in comfortable, durable, and simple clothing, free of complicated fastenings.
- Please do not dress your child in their best clothing. Although we do use paint smocks, some of the paints have been known to stain.
- Any items with words or images should contain messages that are positive and in agreement with our school beliefs.
- Girls should wear shorts under skirts or dresses.
- All outer garments, including coats, boots, sweaters, hats, and mittens should be labeled with your child's name.
- Shoes with closed toes are strongly recommended for safety (please do not send children in sandals, or flip-flops).
- Makeup and jewelry are not appropriate for children in these grade levels.

