



PROVIDENCE SCHOOL

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LOWER SCHOOL UNIFORM REGULATIONS

Providence School prescribed dress and personal appearance should be clean, healthy, appropriate, and reflect a standard of excellence. We ask that all family members abide by similar guidelines to set a Godly example while on school property. The grade specific prescribed uniform dress for students is available from RC Uniforms and is listed online. The list from RC relates to skirts, skorts, slacks, polos, outerwear, etc. (Sunshine logo still approved on pants/shorts.) Please note that all students are to only wear uniforms from RC Uniforms. Listed below is information reflective of the rest of our policies concerning items not purchased from RC (shoes, socks, belts, etc.) and overall dress code and appearance.

Dress Code

The following outlines the appropriate uniform dress for students. When students wear the Providence uniform properly, they represent themselves, their family, their school in a manner pleasing to the Lord.

Badges

For K-5 the ID badges are in the classroom and used when needed inside the building (dining hall, media center, etc.)

Belts

Black/Brown/Khaki.

Must be seen at all times when wearing uniform slacks/shorts.

Exceptions are made for Kindergarteners and First graders (even if the bottoms have belt loops).

Ears

- Boys may not wear earrings.
- Girls K-5 may wear two earrings in each lobe of the ear (no cartilage). Stud-type earrings or small hoops (no larger than one-half inch in diameter) may be worn.
- Neither spacers nor gauges are allowed.

Hair

- Boys' hair is to be neat, must not touch collar, may not go past 1/2 of the ear, or touch the eyebrows.
- No unnatural hair color.
- All hair styles should be conservative and not draw undue attention to the student.
- Uniform scrunches and headbands in school colors only. These should not draw undue attention to the student and must be complementary to the uniform.

Hands/Makeup/Jewelry

- Excluding the ears, no other body piercings are allowed.
- Boys may not wear nail polish.
- All jewelry should be conservative and not distract from the uniform.
- Sunglasses may not be worn inside the building (even on the top of or back of the head).
- Choker necklaces may be worn, but must not be distracting to the uniform.
- No long chains hanging outside uniform shirt.

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Hats

- No hats, caps, or head covers are to be worn in the building during school; unless with a designated special day of dress. Information sent from the office.
- Headphones and backpacks (excluding string backpacks)
- Headphones and backpacks should not be seen on the students during school hours in the hallways or common areas (dining hall, etc.)
- No phones should be visible with students in K-5 grades (unless a teacher has a special day for the class and this information will be communicated from the teacher).
- If a teacher allows for headphones and/or cell phone use in class, students should be instructed to put these items away before they exit the classroom.

Jackets and Outerwear

- Only jackets that are Providence uniform jackets, Providence lettermen jackets, Providence uniform sweaters, Providence approved team/club jackets and Providence uniform sweatshirts may be worn inside the building during the school day.
- Authentic Providence hoodies may also be worn during the school day.
- Winter apparel other than Providence may only be worn outside the building during recess, P.E. or Extended Day.

Physical Education Uniform

Lower School, K-5 students wear regular school uniforms and athletic shoes for Physical Education and do not change before or after class. On the day your child has P.E., please make sure he or she has on athletic shoes.

Shirts

- Only the top two buttons may be unbuttoned at any time.
- Shirts must be tucked in and belts must be seen at all times.
- All undershirts should be solid and either white, gray, black, or teal.

Shoes

- Athletic shoes of any color may be worn.
- Brown or Black dress shoes may be worn (conservative one color Tom's & Bob's)
- No sandals, clogs, sling-back or open-toed shoes, at any time including designated dress down days.
- Boots may only be worn according to specifications listed with dress down days.

Skin

Providence discourages tattoos or brandings on students and does not allow them to be visible when the student is in the school uniform, the PE uniform, team uniform, or other clothing at school or any school-related activity.

Skirts

Should be no shorter than 2" above the knee cap and are not to be rolled.

Slacks/shorts

- Slacks and shorts must be worn with a belt.
- Slacks and shorts must be worn on the waist.

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Socks

- Socks should be solid- no prints, designs, or ruffles. Logos are allowed – such as Adidas socks that are appropriately colored are allowed.
- Socks are to be white, teal, black, gray, brown, or tan (khaki).

Tights

- Tights should be solid.
- Tights are to be white, teal, black, gray, brown, or tan (khaki).

Appropriate Dress for Cold Weather Days

Cold weather dress down days will be announced by the Administration from time to time. The students are then allowed to wear blue jeans (jeggings are not permissible) and a uniform shirt and sweatshirt. Other guidelines of attire and appearance are followed. Boots (no higher than two inches for 6-12 and no higher than one and half inches for K-5), tennis shoes, and casual shoes are permissible on dress down days. Sandals (even those with backs), open-toed shoes, backless shoes, or flip-flops may not be worn.

General Guidelines for Dress Down Days for all grades

- Students may always stay in uniform and can wear their uniform bottoms on all dress down days.
- The normal policy regarding hair, jewelry, and facial hair applies.
- Dress down attire should be modest and never should distract from the educational atmosphere of the school.
- Blue jeans must be free of cuts, holes, shredded, or worn places. Only full length blue jeans or capris (girls only) may be worn for 6-12. K-5 may wear also jean shorts no shorter than finger-tip length when standing.
- Non uniform shorts are not allowed on dress down days.
- Jeggings/leggings are not permissible.
- No tank tops, spaghetti straps, sleeveless tops, no sheer or lace tops (even with tank tops underneath), no low-cut tops (no cleavage is allowed to show), or tops where the midriff is showing when the hands are raised. (The hands being raised are indicative of freedom of movement throughout the school day.)
- All outwear must adhere to previously stated policy inside and outside the building.
- Graphic designs that depict secular bands, mystical figures, or images that would conflict with the Christian life should not be worn.
- Shoes are in compliance with dress down requirements.
- Shirt should meet guidelines specified and be appropriate for occasion.

Appropriate Dress for Red Shirt Fridays for K-5 in Honor of our Troops

(First Friday of each month)

The students are allowed to wear appropriate bottoms that are no shorter than his/her fingertip when standing. (jeggings are not permissible) and a red shirt (shirt should be a solid red shirt or the one purchased from the Lower School office). Athletic shorts are approved.

Boots (no higher than one and a half inches), tennis shoes, and casual shoes are permissible on dress down days. Sandals (even those with backs), open-toed shoes, backless shoes, or flip-flops may not be worn.

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Appropriate Dress for Dollar Dress Down for K-5

(Second Friday of each month)

The students who decide to participate should bring in \$1.00 (Each month is designated to support a particular organization or ministry.) Students are allowed to wear appropriate bottoms that are no shorter than his/her fingertip when standing. (jeggings are not permissible) and a Providence friendly top. Athletic shorts are approved.

Boots (no higher than one and a half inches), tennis shoes, and casual shoes are permissible on dress down days. Sandals (even those with backs), open-toed shoes, backless shoes, or flip-flops may not be worn.

Appropriate Dress for Spirit Days for K-5

The students are allowed to wear appropriate bottoms that are no shorter than his/her fingertip when standing. (jeggings are not permissible). Athletic shorts are approved – spirit wear or uniform top.

Boots (no higher than one and a half inches), tennis shoes, and casual shoes are permissible on dress down days. Sandals (even those with backs), open-toed shoes, backless shoes, or flip-flops may not be worn.

Field Trips

Students wear uniforms or class t-shirts on field trips unless there is administrative approval for a change. All information will be communicated to the students, staff and chaperones.

All regulations on hair, ears, necklaces, skirts and hands still apply.

No tank tops, tube tops, spaghetti strap tops, or midriff tops may be worn.

If shorts are deemed appropriate for a specific field trip, no shorts shorter than the length of the fingertips are allowed.

Although blue jeans may be worn, jeans are not to be tight, low, excessively baggy, or excessively long. All pants must be worn on the waist.

Beach/pool attire: Girls- one piece bathing suit or two-piece suits may be worn (should be appropriate for activity). Boys: No Speed-o bikinis; suits should be worn on the waist.

No inappropriate logos or language on t-shirts.

Providence School reserves the right to make discretionary decisions on dress code issues not specifically outlined in the policy.