



Dress Code Policy 2024-25

ECS students are required to wear the traditional, comfortable uniforms our school has identified. The security, effectiveness, modesty, equanimity, and appearance of our students will be advanced with this uniform effort. The uniforms were chosen by a committee of parents, staff and students who made their determination based on style, fit, cost, durability, convenience, customer service, and ease of care. We have chosen to use a uniform company, **Land's End**, as the sole source of apparel for our school.

UNIFORMS

- All uniform options are listed on the Land's End web site created for the students at Eastside Christian Schools. Options include pants, chino shorts, skirts, sweaters, jackets and PE clothes.
 - P.E. Clothes may only be worn during P.E. Students must change before and after P.E. class. Students **may not** wear their P.E. attire all day.
- All uniform clothing must fit the students appropriately. No pants may be worn larger than natural fit; no tops may be worn too small, etc.
- **Any student at any time on campus must be in uniform**, whether the student is departing from campus, arriving to campus or marked absent for the day.
- **No alterations may be done to change the style of the garments** (pants may not be made into Capris or shorts, waist-high skirts may not be made into hipsters, skirts may not be too short, etc.). No alterations may be done to the logo on the uniforms (no coloring in the logo).
- **Spirit Shirts** are to be worn on Fridays as a privilege. Spirit Shirts may be worn with knee-length shorts, jeans or other long pants, long skirts or uniform bottoms. On cool days when a t-shirt is not warm enough, students may wear a long sleeved t-shirt (in a complimentary color) underneath the spirit shirt, or may wear uniform or other school outerwear. Any outerwear must open in the front so that the spirit shirt shows.
- Uniform policy applies on Field Trip days.
- ECS has a **Used Uniforms Shop**. Other than scheduled opening hours in July and August, the shop will open upon appointment only. The price is \$5 per piece of clothing.

Boys

- Tops
 - Students must wear a uniform shirt at all times, even under a sweatshirt.
 - Dress shirts and polos may be worn untucked.
 - If undershirts are worn underneath uniform shirts, they must be white, gray, or black shirts only.
 - Tops must cover the entire torso and back.
- Bottoms/Pants
 - Students may wear any manufacturer of khaki, gray, or black dress pants. Students may also wear black or khaki chino shorts that are at least mid-thigh in length (test to see if the shorts are longer than fingertips when arms are at your side, shoulders relaxed), but are not athletic warm-up style.
 - No student may wear warm ups, or sweats or athletic shorts; nor pants that have holes in them (intentional or not).
 - Belts are not mandatory, but highly recommended when wearing clothes with belt loops. If a belt is worn, it must be black, brown, or beige and have no visible prints, writings or designs.
 - Proper undergarments must be worn and not show.
 - Pants or shorts must fit at the waist without a belt and be of appropriate length.
 - Pants and shorts must not be oversized or extra wide, and may not drag on the ground.
- Other
 - Shoes must be worn at all times. No soft-soled shoes, open-toed shoes (such as slippers or sandals), or Crocs are permitted.
 - No make-up or fingernail polish.
 - Hair must be a natural color, not extreme or disturbing to the school environment.
 - Ear, body, tongue, face, or torso jewelry or spacers are not acceptable.
 - No wallet chains or extended belts.
 - Hats may not be worn on campus, except for specifically-themed spirit days.
 - Tattoos and body art may not be visible. Clothing must cover tattoos and body art during all school activities.
 - Writing on oneself or allowing others to write on you is prohibited.
- Clothes may not be distracting to the school environment or identify with any gangs, drugs, alcohol, paramilitary groups, sex, separatists groups, gothic styles, or rebellion.

- No pajamas, costumes, etc. (except on approved theme days).
- No blankets will be allowed as wraps.
- Boys' **bathing suits** must be appropriate and exercise good taste. Trunks must fit at the waist and not be baggy. No "Speedos."
- All outerwear must be plain, with no logos/branding or artwork. Any outerwear with non-Eastside logos, even church shirts and sweaters, will not be permitted.
- Clothes must not have holes or be frayed to become inappropriate

Girls

- Tops
 - Students must wear a uniform shirt at all times, even under a sweatshirt or jacket.
 - Dress shirts and the polos may be worn untucked
 - Dress shirts may not be worn unbuttoned as a jacket, or partially buttoned (other than at the neck)
 - If undershirts are worn underneath uniform shirts, they must be white, gray, or black shirts only.
- Bottoms
 - ECS students may wear any manufacturer of khaki, gray, or black dress pants. Students may also wear black or khaki chino shorts that are at least mid-thigh in length (test to see if the shorts are longer than fingertips when arms are at your side, shoulders relaxed), but are not athletic warm-up style.
 - Skirts must be Land's End plaid. No student may wear leggings, warm ups, sweatpants, or athletic shorts; nor pants that have holes in them (intentional or not).
 - Belts must be a color and style that compliments the uniform (no bold colors)
 - If skirts are worn, they must be purchased from Land's End. Skirts may not be shortened. No skirt may be rolled at the waist. Spandex shorts should be worn under skirts.
 - Shorts and skirts may not be rolled or tucked under or shortened.
- Other
 - Shoes must be worn at all times; no soft-soled slippers, beach-style flip-flops, or Crocs.
 - No body, tongue, face, or torso jewelry or spacers.
 - Proper undergarments must be worn, and not show.

- **Hair** must be a natural color; cut and color must not be extreme.
 - Hair must be neat, and clean cut. Styles may not be extreme. No spikes or shaved heads.
 - No more than three earrings on each ear. Earrings must be modest and not extreme (no hole extenders, spiked earrings, etc).
 - No wallet chains.
 - Tattoos and body art may not be visible. Clothing must cover tattoos and body art during all school activities.
 - Writing on yourself, or allowing others to write on you is prohibited.
 - All outerwear must be plain, with no logos/branding or artwork. Any outerwear with non-Eastside logos, even church shirts and sweaters will not be permitted.
 - No blankets will be allowed as wraps.
- Appearance must be modest and clean cut; make-up must be modest.
 - Uniforms must be in good repair, no holes or fraying that becomes inappropriate.
 - Girls' **bathing suits** for off campus outings must be modest, covering the entire torso. No bikinis, no thongs. T-shirts may be worn over suits.

Athletes / P.E.

- P.E. uniforms are permitted only during the P.E. period. Students may not wear P.E. uniforms before or after the period is in session.
- An athlete may wear a jacket purchased as the current year's team apparel as long as colors are consistent with school uniforms.
- On game days, athletes may wear an approved team uniform or team warm-ups, but must wear regular school uniform on all other days. No uniform may be worn if undergarments of any kind show in any way. Coaches will set guidelines as to what players may wear on game days. All players on that team must be uniformed for the day.
- An athlete may wear a jacket purchased as a member of an ECS team, as long as s/he is still a member of the team during the current year. Students who are no longer on the team, whether for personal reasons or school's decisions, may no longer wear team gear from that team.

Other Clubs & Groups

Students participating in special activities may wear one shirt purchased by all members of the group as directed by the group sponsor: choir, seniors, ASB, etc., with uniform pants. Sweatshirts purchased by the whole group may be worn any day, as

long as the student is still a member of the team during the current year; t-shirts may only replace uniforms when the group is involved in a special event that day.

Dress Code Violation Policy

Consequences for Dress Code violations are:

Number of Dress Code Violations	Consequence
First to third violation in a semester	Parent/guardian must drop off the uniform in order for student to resume school day.
Fourth to fifth violation in a semester	One-hour detention, same day, after school + \$25 per detention fee
Sixth and subsequent violations in a semester	\$50 fine per violation Disqualification from non-classroom activities until fine is paid

1st - 3rd Offense-Student remains in the office until parent/guardian(s) drops off the uniform. Students may not return to class without proper uniform; they will otherwise be sent home.

After the 3rd offense, parent/guardian(s) and student will be informed that the student will receive one day of after-school detention* on the next offense.

4th + 5th Offense- Student remains in office until parent/guardian(s) drop off the uniform. Students may not return to class without proper uniform; they will otherwise be sent home. Additionally, student receives an after-school detention* with a \$25 fee per detention.

6th Offense and every offense thereafter - Student will be fined \$50 every day that the dress code is violated. Failure to pay the fines will result in disqualification from non-classroom activities, including field trips, Pep Rallies, Dances, etc.

*Detention will take place after school on the same day of the violation. Parents will need to pay the detention fee within 2 weeks of violation. Students may have to miss a practice, activity, or game, if assigned. Students who fail to attend their scheduled detention will be fined \$50. This fine will be applied to each detention not served or every violation of dress code after the 6th offense.