

Pine Lake Preparatory (PLP) Uniform Policy

PLP's mission is to prepare students for college and a purposeful life.

Philosophy:

- The dress code is a partnership between parents, students, and the school that assists in the foundation of our culture, environment, **mission, vision and values**. It is a reflection of Pine Lake's **unity and community**.
- Students should make every attempt to be in "professional student" clothing for their work day. The dress code is meant to inspire confidence for success and reflects their commitment to **academic excellence** and their feeling of **school pride**.
- The dress code promotes a more serious school atmosphere which emphasizes academics and **promotes good behavior**.
- Dress codes in school settings reduce social conflict and peer pressure, promoting the importance of a respectable appearance which is a lesson that can **positively impact their self-respect and self-esteem**.

Uniform Guidelines

In keeping with our school mission, the Board and administration of the school believe attire should be modest, not offensive to others and not disruptive to the learning environment while on school property or out at a Pine Lake Preparatory event or field trip.

Expectations* (Do)	• Look professional and put together • All clothing must be neat in appearance (no holes, frays, or extensive staining) • All clothing must fit appropriately (not too tight or overly baggy) • Clothing must cover stomach, chest, shoulders, rear end, and undergarments completely • Shoes must be closed toe and closed heel • Tights/leggings may be worn under skirts/shorts or jumpers, but not on their own, and may be patterned but opaque • Hats/caps and sunglasses or headgear must be removed upon entering the building <i>*There may be expectations that are not included in this policy and are left to the discretion of the faculty and administration of the school to keep in adherence with our dress code philosophy.</i>
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K - 8th Uniform Guidelines

Grade Level	Monday-Thursday		Friday
K- 8	Tops:	• PLP polo* long or short-sleeved • PLP sweatshirts or fleeces* • PLP Oxford* (only top button may be undone) • PLP polo dresses purchased from approved vendor, in approved colors* • Plain navy sweater (Lower School Only) <i>*Must have PLP logo, must be purchased from approved vendors.</i> <i>Tops must not be longer than bottoms.</i>	Spirit t-shirts or uniform top
	Bottoms:	• Khaki or navy pants* • Khaki, navy, or plaid mid thigh minimum skirts/skorts and shorts** • Khaki, navy or plaid jumpers from an approved vendor, over a plain top. <i>*Leggings/jeggings are NOT allowed unless under skirts/skorts, shorts or dresses. Joggers in cotton twill or nylon material (no fleece) are allowed.</i> <i>** As a guideline a 5" inseam is mid thigh on most individuals.</i>	Uniform bottoms
	PE*	• PLP PE shirt** • PLP or plain navy gym pants or shorts (mid thigh minimum) • Athletic shoes <i>*Students in K-2 are not required to wear PE uniforms</i> <i>**Must be purchased from approved vendors</i>	
	Picture Day	• Navy blue PLP polo or polo dress • Khaki bottoms	
<i>The policy is in effect every school day, including any field trip off campus. Advance notice will be given for any event that requires or allows attire other than uniforms. In such instances, students are required to follow the non-uniform guidelines.</i>			

9th - 12th Uniform Guideline

Grade Level	Monday-Thursday		Friday
9-12	Tops	• PLP polo* long or short-sleeved • PLP sweatshirts or fleeces* • PLP Oxford* (only top button may be undone) <i>*Must have PLP logo, must be purchased from approved vendors.</i> <i>Tops must not be longer than bottoms.</i>	Spirit t-shirts or uniform top
	Bottoms	• Khaki or navy pants* • Khaki or navy mid thigh minimum skirts/skorts and shorts** • Joggers in cotton twill or nylon material (no fleece) are allowed. <i>*Leggings/jeggings are NOT allowed unless under skirts/skorts, shorts or dresses. Sweatpants, in any form or style, are not allowed even those that reflect a PLP team, athletic or otherwise.</i> <i>**As a guideline a 5" inseam is mid thigh on most individuals.</i>	Jeans or uniform bottoms (jean shorts are not allowed and jeans must be free of rips)
	PE	• PLP PE shirt** • PLP of plain navy gym pants or shorts (mid thigh minimum) • Athletic shoes <i>**Must be purchased from approved vendors</i>	
	Picture Day Attire	• Navy blue PLP polo shirt • Khaki bottoms	
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Financial Considerations

Pine Lake Preparatory is sensitive to the needs of families in meeting the uniform requirements. The parent or guardian of a student needing financial assistance may contact the student's Building Level Administrator.

PLP Approved Vendors

A list of the leadership approved PLP vendors for uniforms, and approved colors, is available at www.pinelakeprep.org in the Family Quick Links section.

Non-Uniform Guidelines

On days where students are allowed to “dress down,” the following rules apply:

- Shirts must have distinctive sleeves with a shoulder seam
- Shorts, dresses and skirts must be mid thigh minimum
- Clothing must cover stomach, chest, rear end, back, and undergarments completely
- Clothing must be free of holes and frays
- Leggings may only be worn with shorts, skirts or skorts over them
- Footwear must be closed toe and closed heel
- Clothing that has advertisement/promotion of drugs, violence, alcohol, tobacco products, depicts prejudice, unlawful acts, obscene words or pictures, or anything else not appropriate for a school setting is prohibited
- Pajamas, hats, bandanas, head wraps or other head coverings are not permitted
- Sheer or see-through clothing is not permitted

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Athletics Game Day Dress Code (6 -12th)

Dressing up for an athletic event is an important part of celebrating the achievements of student-athletes and promotes excitement for their upcoming competition.

Dress Code for HOME Games:

Athletes may dress up for home matches based on coach's discretion. Please note, students will dress up, above the expectations of a regular school day, not dress down as if it were a non-uniform day. Team privileges may be revoked for non compliance.

- Dress slacks
- Skirts or dresses that meet mid thigh requirement
- Dress shirts or blouses (only top button may be undone)
- Ties or bow ties
- Sleeveless dresses/tops must have a strap per shoulder with a minimum 1" width
- No jeans, yoga pants or leggings
- No off the shoulder shirts
- Stomach, chest, rear end, back, and undergarments must be covered completely

Protection of Religious Expression

If wearing particular attire during the school day is part of a student's usual religious practice, under the Religious Freedom Restoration Act, the school will not prohibit the wearing of such items. Parents or Guardians are asked to notify the school administration in these circumstances.

Uniform Violations

Students out of compliance with the PLP Uniform Policy will receive consequences as follows:

1st offense. The student will be assigned 30 minute detention with an email to parents of the first offense. The student may be held out of class until appropriate clothing is found.

2nd offense. The student will be held out of class until appropriate clothing is found, parents will be called and you will be assigned one (1) hour detention.

3rd offense. The student will be assigned In School Suspension or Saturday School and parents will be notified.