

STUDENT DRESS TRADITION 2025-26

The dress tradition reflects that Sandhills School students are ready to do their "work" in their "workplace." Students must also be prepared for the outdoor elements as we often take advantage of holding classes, breaks and lunch outside.

- 1. All clothing must be in good condition, fit properly, be comfortable for work or play and clearly identify the student as a member of the Sandhills School community.
- 2. <u>Uniform Shirts</u>: All shirts must have a collar and be embroidered with the Sandhills School logo on the chest pocket area. No tank tops or sleeveless shirts are permitted. (Solid colors preferred).
- 3. <u>Uniform Bottoms</u>: Pants/shorts/skirts and skorts should be solid colored, of chino design and well fitting. Shorts and skirts should not be too short. Keep in mind that students will be active and outside at break and lunch. Cartwheel shorts or solid-colored leggings are required under all skirts, rompers and dresses. Leggings, cartwheel shorts, sweat pants or athletic shorts should not be worn as outerwear during the academic day.
 - On specified dress down days, students may be allowed to wear denim &/or camouflage. Details about these days will be communicated in advance.
- 4. <u>Uniform Outerwear</u>: Sweatshirts, hoodies, jackets, fleece pullovers, etc., must have the Sandhills School logo. *Exception: outerwear that is part of a SCISA sport/activity related to a student's participation through Sandhills School* is allowed. During the colder months students may wear heavy coats and jackets without a Sandhills School logo, but will be required to place these items in their cubby/locker while inside. We recommend wearing jackets and other outwear with the Sandhills logo so that students do not have to take these items on and off throughout the day. Blankets are not allowed on campus during the academic day. Students should bring or wear layers that are appropriate for the day's weather.

- 5. Hats & Hoodies: A student's face should be easily visible for the best learning and social connections to take place. The only hats/head coverings allowed on campus during the academic day are Sandhills School hats from the Sandhills School spirit store. All other hats should be left at home. Teachers may request that Sandhills hats be removed during class. (this does NOT apply to any head coverings worn for medical or religious reasons). Failure to respond to teacher requests for removal of hats during instruction will result in the privilege being removed for the remainder of the academic year. Hoods on sweatshirts must remain off of the head while inside buildings.
- 6. **Footwear:** When choosing footwear, remember that students are quite active at breaks and lunch and are often walking & playing around our 20-acre campus. For this reason, tennis shoes/sneakers with closed toes are recommended. They must be laced and tied (or Velcroed). Tennis shoes/sneakers with socks should be worn on PE days. Dressy sandals, high-heeled shoes or boots, crocs and flip-flop type sandals are not recommended. Students wearing non-recommended footwear may be required to sit out of certain activities if their shoes are deemed to make participation unsafe.
- 7. **School Spirit Days!** On Fridays, students are encouraged to wear Sandhills School spirit wear! Spirit Days are the opportunity to wear Sandhills School T-shirts. These days are especially festive! Students not participating in Spirit Days are expected to follow the regular school dress tradition.

 High School Students (only) may wear jeans (not torn or ripped) on Fridays. All elementary and middle school students should wear regular uniform bottoms.
- 8. Other Special Days: Students may have the opportunity to "dress up" or "dress down" for special occasions and events. Details about these days will be communicated in advance. Costumes or costume accessories may only be worn on designated character days.
- 9. <u>Dress Code Violations</u>: Students may be offered a change of clothes, asked to call for a change of clothes or be sent home if not following the dress code. Non-approved items may be held by administration until the end of the day.

 **Please contact the Counseling office for any religious, medical or sensory reasons requiring accommodation.

10. Sandhills School Administration may make changes in the DRESS CODE at any time.

We have partnered with *Lands' End* to help with our dress tradition. Shirts, dresses, shorts, and pants may be purchased from their school catalog.

Lands End Preferred School Number: 900076910

Items may also be purchased locally with the logo applied at:

- **Graph-itti**, Sportswear & Specialty Co., Inc., 803-254-9380 3620 N. Main Street, Columbia
 - o Embroiders whole logo
 - Two Week Turnaround
- Kathy's Kreations, 803-732-2157
 - o 7591 St. Andrews Road, Irmo
 - **Embroiders Crest Only** (Approved for dress code)