DRESS CODE POLICY FOR 2023-2024

The purpose of the dress code is to clearly identify appropriate attire for all of our students attending PSPA. 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 at a PSPA sponsored event or field trip. We believe it is important for all students to learn the importance of presenting themselves well and that they should begin learning those habits while at school. Failure to comply with the school's uniform policy and/or dress code are violations of the Student Code of Conduct.

Uniform Policy

Students at Pine Springs Preparatory Academy are required to wear a school uniform every day, unless a special event is planned by school administration with specific attire directions. Noncompliance with our Uniform Policy is a violation of the Student Code of Conduct. Parents/Guardians will also be notified and required to bring their child the correct uniform attire.

PSPA's approved and exclusive vendor is Land's End. Outside vendors are not permitted to use the PSPA logo.

CHOICES	COLOR OPTIONS	SPECIAL NOTES
Tops: Polo Shirts, Oxford Shirts, Peter Pan Blouse Tops, Crew Neck Sweatshirts (no hoodies), Sweaters, Vests with shirt underneath.	Navy Green White	All tops that are visible must have the approved school logo. All shirts must be tucked in. Any sweater, jacket, or coat worn inside the school building must be an approved article of clothing with the school logo visible.
Dresses/Jumpers Polo Dress	Navy PSPA Plaid	Plaid Jumper does not require logo *Tights or Bloomers must be worn under dresses, skirts, or jumpers
Socks	Navy Green White Black	Solid color socks are required. A single logo at the cuff is acceptable. Socks must match.
Bottoms: Pants, Skirts, Shorts, Skorts	Navy Tan / Khaki PSPA Plaid	Approved bottoms may be purchased from any store as long as the school colors are selected and match the color swatches at Land's End. No denim. The length of skirts, shorts, and skorts must be of modest length - at or below the fingertips with hands at one's side. Leggings, jeggings, and cargo pants are not approved bottoms.
Outerwear	No special option required	Any jacket or coat worn inside the school building must be an approved article of clothing with the school logo visible. Students may wear a winter coat with or without the school logo, but will not

		be allowed to wear the coat without the logo inside the classrooms.
Shoes	No special color	Shoes must be closed toe, flat, closed heel and tied/fastened at all times with a rubber sole. Shoes with any extra purposes such as, but not limited to, a light, wheels, etc. are not permitted.
Belts	Black Brown Navy PSPA Plaid	Belts are required with bottoms that have belt loops.
Headwear	Navy Green White PSPA Plaid	Headwear consists of: rubber bands, clips, headbands, bows. Only colors listed are allowed. Headwear does not consist of: ballcaps, hats, do rags, bandanas, etc.

Special "Non-Uniform" Days

1. Spirit Wear Days

Spirit Wear Day is the 1st Friday of each month. "Spirit Wear" are those PSPA tops such as t-shirts, sweatshirts and hoodies that are purchased through the PTO. Spirit Wear Day is not for the wearing of tops that showcase your favorite professional or college sports team, etc. If a student is wearing a Spirit-Wear top, then they do not have to wear school-uniform bottoms; however, school-appropriate bottoms must be worn. Pajama bottoms and jeans that are ripped to the point that undergarments can be seen are not allowed. "Short" shorts are not allowed. Leggings are allowed as long as they do not have holes. The requirement for shoes is the same for regular school-uniform days.

2. Dress-Down Days

Dress Down Day is the 3rd Friday of each month. School appropriate clothing is required on Dress Down Days. Pajama bottoms and jeans that are ripped to the point that undergarments can be seen are not allowed. "Short" shorts are not allowed. Leggings are allowed as long as they do not have holes. The requirement for shoes is the same for regular school-uniform days. Shirts must not advertise products that would not be allowed in school, nor may they contain language that is unacceptable in our school environment. Final decision about what is appropriate rests with school administration.

Please be sure to review how your student is dressed prior to coming to school each day. Doing so will help all of us avoid the unwanted situation of having to call parents to bring a different set of clothes to school. Quick rule of thumb - if you find yourself questioning whether the attire that your child is wearing is school appropriate - it probably isn't.

Backpacks

PSPA students are allowed to bring backpacks. Backpacks with wheels are not allowed. Student backpacks may be searched by school officials. See "Student Searches" information in the School Safety section of this handbook.