



# PROVIDENCE ACADEMY

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## **Providence Academy Uniform Dress Code: General Information**

### **Background**

The Uniform Dress Code was created to encourage a community spirit at Providence Academy and to enhance school pride. It is provided as a means of focusing on the student himself/herself as a unique person while diminishing the importance of external factors such as clothing. All clothing and appearance choices should uphold the spirit in which the Providence Academy Uniform Dress Code is written.

### **Clothing** *(Please refer to Lower, Middle and Upper School uniform specification sheets)*

The expectation is that Providence Academy students maintain a neat, clean, and appropriate appearance at all times. Uniform clothing should be in good condition and be **labeled with the student's name**. Uniform items that fade over a period of time should be replaced to maintain the intended colors of the uniform. Students who are in violation of the dress code may need to change into appropriate clothing from the school's recycled uniform closet, or their parents may be called to bring appropriate clothing to school. Consequences will be administered to students who repeatedly abuse the dress code.

All clothing must be worn right side out and all shirts must be tucked in or tucked under sweatshirts at all times. Belts must be worn through belt loops on pants and should not dangle. Clothing is expected to be properly sized to fit. If girls opt to wear shorts under their skirts, they should not be visible below the hemline of the skirt. Skirt and jumper length must be to the middle of the knee. Shoes with open backs, half backs, platforms or open toes should not be worn such as sandals or clogs. The back of the shoe must not be stepped on or crushed down by the heel of the foot. If shoes have shoestrings, they should remain tied. Suede, patent or plain leather moccasin style shoes of any type are not permitted.

Attire which attracts undue or negative attention or which infringes on the rights or values of others is not considered to be in the spirit of the dress code. The determination of whether clothing, make-up, hair or accessories are suggestive or unkempt is at the discretion of the school.

Uniforms are required on all school days except when otherwise specified by the administration. Lower and Middle School girls may wear uniform pants as an option from November 1<sup>st</sup> to April 1<sup>st</sup>, however jumpers and skirts are required on fieldtrips and on Mass days. **All uniform pants must be purchased from a uniform store such as Donald's, Educational Outfitters or Land's End School Catalog.**

Providence Academy is using several vendors for uniform clothing. Please note carefully where each piece of uniform clothing may be purchased. **Land's End** items can be purchased by catalog (mail or phone 1-800-469-2222) or on-line at [landsend.com/school](http://landsend.com/school). Please make sure that the clothing item is part of the school uniform line to ensure consistency in style and color. Please note if an insignia is required on the uniform piece, Land's End will embroider the Providence Academy logo for about an additional \$5.80. Providence Academy's logo number is 0128155K and should be used when ordering items requiring the insignia. Land's End will also hem pants to a specific inseam measurement. Land's End will donate 3% back to the Academy if you use our preferred number with your order, #9000-6480-9.

**Donald's** is located at 972 Payne Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55101. Their website is [www.donaldsuniform.com](http://www.donaldsuniform.com) and they will mail items out by calling (651) 776-2723. Donald's donates 3% of all sales back to the school and they typically host a uniform sale in early July at Providence.

**Educational Outfitters** is located at 5710 West 36<sup>th</sup> Street, St. Louis Park, MN 55416. They will mail items out by phone order at (952) 927-6778 or you can shop online by visiting [www.EducationalOutfitters.com](http://www.EducationalOutfitters.com) and entering your school code **MN0408**. Educational Outfitters donates 3% of all sales back to the school.

**Please check all uniform pieces as some must be purchased from only one of the uniform clothing stores listed above.**

### **Make-up**

Make-up is not allowed in grades Pre-K-5<sup>th</sup> grade. In the spirit of the dress code, the expectation at Providence Academy is that a modest amount of light make-up can be used for girls in 6<sup>th</sup> grade and above with parental approval. Glitter or sparkle cosmetics are not allowed.

### **Jewelry**

Post or hoop earrings should be a maximum of one inch in length and one inch in diameter. No dangling type earrings are allowed. No body or facial piercing jewelry is allowed. Boys may not wear earrings. Visible or otherwise detectable necklaces for boys are not permitted. Visible or otherwise detectable bracelets (excluding watches) for boys are not permitted. Girls are allowed to wear one bracelet on each arm. No tattoos should be visible. No ankle bracelets are allowed.

### **Hair**

Any girls' hairstyles or accessories including hair curlers that draw attention to a student are not permitted. **Lower School Girls:** Hairclips or headbands should be 1" or less in width. No additional hair accessories, such as scarves or beads may be worn. Boys are expected to have short, well-groomed hair. Hair should be worn above the ears on the side and above the collar from the back (including tails). In addition, at least half the forehead should be showing. Hair is also required to be neat: washed, combed and in proportion with the above expectations. Hair should be a natural color and not draw undue attention to the student. Facial hair on older boys is to be shaved.

### **Hats**

Students are not allowed to wear hats of any kind during the school day.

### **Field Days or Other Non-Uniform Days**

Non-uniform clothing should be clean and in good condition. Slacks or jeans, skirts or dresses, T-shirts and collared shirts, shoes or athletic footwear are acceptable on non-uniform days.

### **Special Days**

Occasionally special events such as Homecoming, Halloween, and field trips may dictate non-uniform attire specific to those events. In these cases, the recommended attire will be announced in advance to those affected.

### **Dress-Up Attire**

Occasionally a school event will require dress-up attire. On these days, appropriate dress for boys includes sport coat, tie, sweater, dress shirt, dress pants, and shoes. For girls, appropriate dress includes a dress, skirt or dress pants with a blouse, and appropriate dress shoes. Modest hemlines are required on dress-up attire.

### **Gym Uniforms**

Gym uniforms are needed for all students in fourth grade or higher. T-shirts and shorts may be purchased from the Providence Academy Student Store and are mandatory. Optional outer wear including athletic jackets and pants may be purchased from the Land's End School Uniform Catalog.

## **Providence Academy Uniform: Lower School Boys**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>PURCHASE FROM</b>
Pants	Navy Blue Chino Pants Or Navy Twill Pants	Lands End, Donald's or Educational Outfitters
Shirts	White Mock or Regular Turtle Neck Or White Performance Interlock or Mesh Polo, Short or Long Sleeve Or Maize* Performance Interlock or Mesh Polo, Short or Long Sleeve	Land's End, Donald's or Educational Outfitters  *Maize ONLY Land's End (Please DO NOT purchase Canary Yellow polo from other vendors)
Sweaters	Maize Drifter V-Neck Cotton Sweater With Providence Insignia 0128155K	Land's End, request Providence logo
Sweatshirts	Classic Navy Crew Sweatshirt With Providence Insignia 0128155K	Land's End or Donald's, request Providence logo
Socks	Navy Blue Socks	Any retailer

### Shoes

Dark leather dress/casual shoes, loafers or boat shoes. Shoes with open backs, half backs, platforms or open toes should not be worn such as sandals or clogs. Heels must not exceed one inch in height. Sport shoes or tennis shoes may be worn for physical education classes only.

**Pre-Kindergarten Students** – All black or all white sports shoes or tennis shoes MAY be worn in Pre-Kindergarten only.

White-soled tennis shoes are a requirement for use in the gym.

### Optional items

Boys may wear a Maize Drifter Cotton Vest with the Providence Academy insignia (from Land's End only) if desired.

Navy blue leather belt.

### Gym Uniform

Students in fourth grade and higher must purchase a gym uniform. (Please see gym uniform specification sheet.)



## Providence Academy Uniform: Lower School Girls

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	PURCHASE FROM
Jumper	Black Watch Plaid #77 Drop Waist Jumper, Style 94 Cotton/Polyester Blend	Donald's or Educational Outfitters
Blouses	Peter Pan (Round) Collar White Blouse, Short or Long Sleeve Or Peter Pan (Round) Collar White Cotton or Cotton/Poly Blend Knit Blouse, Short or Long Sleeve	Land's End, Donald's or Educational Outfitters
Sweaters	Zip-front Cardigan Cotton Sweater in Classic Navy with Providence Insignia 0128155K Or Plain Front Fine Gauge Cardigan, Maize or Classic Navy with Providence Insignia 0128155K	Land's End, request Providence logo
Pants	Navy Blue Chino Pants Or Navy Twill Pants NO Low Rise, Contoured Waist, Flares or Boot Cut	Lands End, Donald's or Educational Outfitters
Sweatshirts	Classic Navy Crew Sweatshirt With Providence Insignia 0128155K	Land's End or Donald's, request Providence logo
Socks	White Anklets, White or Navy Blue Knee-highs Or White or Navy Blue Tights	Any retailer

### Shoes

Dark leather dress/casual shoes, loafers or boat shoes. Shoes with open backs, half backs, platforms or open toes should not be worn such as sandals or clogs. Heels must not exceed one inch in height. Sport shoes or tennis shoes may be worn for physical education classes only. Mary Jane style shoes are recommended for girls as they stay on the foot when running.

**Pre-Kindergarten Students** – All black or all white sports shoes or tennis shoes MAY be worn in Pre-Kindergarten only.

Non-marking tennis shoes are a requirement for use in the gym.

### Optional items

Navy blue, brown or black leather belt

Navy blue biker shorts may be worn under the uniform jumper, if desired.

A plain white cami/tank may be worn under the uniform shirt when a child is wearing pants.

### Gym Uniform

Students in fourth grade and higher must purchase a gym uniform. (Please see gym uniform specification sheet.)



## Providence Academy Uniform: Middle School Boys

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	PURCHASE FROM
Pants	Navy Blue Chino Pants Or Navy Twill Pants	Lands End, Donald's or Educational Outfitters
Shirts	Light Blue or White Oxford Shirt, Short or Long Sleeve	Land's End, Donald's or Educational Outfitters
Sweaters Donald's Option	Navy Elderado V-neck pullover #15061	Donald's, request Providence logo
Sweaters Land's End Options	Classic Navy or White Drifter V-Neck Cotton Sweater With Providence Insignia 0128155K	Land's End , request Providence logo
Sweatshirts	Classic Navy Crew Sweatshirt With Providence Insignia 0128155K	Land's End or Donald's, request Providence logo
Socks	Navy Blue Socks	Any retailer
Belt	Solid Dark Brown, Black or Navy Blue Leather Belt NO woven or braided belts please	Any retailer

### Shoes

Dark leather dress/casual shoes, loafers or boat shoes. Shoes with open backs, half backs, platforms or open toes should not be worn such as sandals or clogs. Heels must not exceed two inches in height. Sport shoes or tennis shoes may be worn for physical education classes only. Suede or plain leather moccasin style shoes of any type are not permitted.

### Optional items

A plain white T-shirt may be worn under the uniform oxford shirt.

Boys may wear a Classic Navy Drifter Cotton Vest with the Providence Academy insignia (from Land's End) if desired.

A Providence Academy tie may be worn with the light blue or white Oxford shirt only. Ties are available through the Student Spirit Store.

### Gym Uniform

Middle School students must purchase a gym uniform. (Please see gym uniform specification sheet.)



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## Providence Academy Uniform: Middle School Girls

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	PURCHASE FROM
Skirt	Black Watch Plaid #77 Pleated Skirt, Style 34 Cotton/Polyester Blend	Donald's or Educational Outfitters
Blouses	Light Blue or White Oxford Shirt, Short or Long Sleeve Or Navy Banded ONLY Polo Shirt, Short or Long Sleeve	Donald's or Educational Outfitters ONLY  Polo from Donald's or Educational Outfitters ONLY
Sweaters Donald's Option	Navy Elderado V-neck pullover #15061	Donald's, request Providence logo
Sweaters Land's End Options	Classic Navy Drifter V-Neck Cotton Sweater with Providence Insignia 0128155K Or Fine Gauge Cardigan*, Maize or Classic Navy with Providence Insignia 0128155K	Land's End request Providence logo  *Cardigan only available through Land's End
Pants	Navy Blue Chino Pants Or Navy Twill Pants NO Low Rise, Contoured Waist, Flares or Boot Cut	Lands End, Donald's or Educational Outfitters
Sweatshirts	Classic Navy Crew Sweatshirt With Providence Insignia 0128155K	Land's End or Donald's, request Providence logo
Socks	White Anklets, White or Navy Blue Knee- highs Or White or Navy Blue Tights	Any retailer

### Shoes

Dark leather dress/casual shoes, loafers or boat shoes. Shoes with open backs, half backs, platforms or open toes should not be worn such as sandals or clogs. Heels must not exceed two inches in height. Sport shoes or tennis shoes may be worn for physical education classes only. Suede, patent or plain leather moccasin style shoes of any type are not permitted.

### Optional items

A plain white T-shirt or plain white cami/tank may be worn under the uniform oxford shirt.

Navy blue biker shorts may be worn under the uniform skirt, if desired.

A dark brown, black or navy blue solid leather belt may be worn with the uniform pants. NO woven or braided belts, please.

### Gym Uniform

Middle school students must purchase a gym uniform. (Please see gym uniform specification sheet.)



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## **Providence Academy Uniform: Upper School Boys**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>PURCHASE FROM</b>
Pants	Dark Khaki Chino Pants Or Dark Khaki Twill Pants	Lands End, Donald's or Educational Outfitters
Shirts	Light Blue or White Oxford Shirt, Short or Long Sleeve Or Classic Navy or White Mesh or Performance Interlock Polo Shirt, Short or Long Sleeve	Land's End, Donald's or Educational Outfitters
Sweaters Donald's Option	Navy Elderado V-neck pullover #15061	Donald's, request Providence logo
Sweaters Land's End Options	Classic Navy or White Drifter V-Neck Cotton Sweater With Providence Insignia 0128155K	Land's End, request Providence logo
Sweatshirts	Classic Navy Crew Sweatshirt With Providence Insignia 0128155K	Land's End or Donald's, request Providence logo
Socks	Tan socks	Any retailer
Belt	Solid Dark Brown, Black or Navy Blue Leather Belt NO woven or braided belts please	Any retailer

### Shoes

Dark leather dress/casual shoes, loafers or boat shoes. Shoes with open backs, half backs, platforms or open toes should not be worn such as sandals or clogs. Heels must not exceed two inches in height. Sport shoes or tennis shoes may be worn for physical education classes only. Suede or plain leather moccasin style shoes of any type are not permitted.

### Optional items

A plain white T-shirt may be worn under the uniform oxford shirt.

A Providence Academy tie may be worn with the light blue or white Oxford shirt only. Ties are available through the Student Spirit Store.

### Gym Uniform

Upper School students must purchase a gym uniform if they are taking physical education or athletics as an elective class. (Please see gym uniform specification sheet.)



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## **Providence Academy Uniform: Upper School Girls**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>PURCHASE FROM</b>
Skirt	Navy Blue Pleated Skirt, Style 439, Polyester/Wool Blend	Donald's or Educational Outfitters
Blouses	Light Blue or White Oxford Shirt, Short or Long Sleeve Or Regular or Feminine Fit, Straight or Banded Bottom, Classic Navy or White, Mesh or Performance Interlock Polo Shirt, Short or Long Sleeve Or Maize* Mesh or Performance Interlock Polo, Short or Long Sleeve	Land's End, Donald's or Educational Outfitters  *Maize ONLY Land's End (Please DO NOT purchase Canary Yellow polo from other vendors)
Sweaters Donald's Option	Navy Elderado V-neck pullover #15061	Donald's, request Providence logo
Sweaters Land's End Options	Classic Navy Drifter V-Neck Cotton Sweater with Providence Insignia 0128155K Or Fine Gauge Cardigan, Maize or Classic Navy with Providence Insignia 0128155K	Land's End, request Providence logo
Sweatshirts	Classic Navy Crew Sweatshirt With Providence Insignia 0128155K	Land's End or Donald's, request Providence logo
Socks	White Anklets, White or Navy Blue Knee- highs Or White or Navy Blue Tights or Skin Colored Nylons	Any retailer
Belt	Solid Dark Brown, Black or Navy Blue Leather Belt NO woven or braided belts please	Any retailer

### Shoes

Dark leather dress/casual shoes, loafers or boat shoes. Shoes with open backs, half backs, platforms or open toes should not be worn such as sandals or clogs. Heels must not exceed two inches in height. Sport shoes or tennis shoes may be worn for physical education classes only. Suede, patent or plain leather moccasin style shoes of any type are not permitted.

### Optional items

A plain white T-shirt or plain white cami/tank may be worn under the uniform oxford shirt.  
Navy blue biker shorts may be worn under the uniform skirt, if desired.

### Gym Uniform

Upper School students must purchase a gym uniform if they are taking physical education or athletics as an elective class. (Please see gym uniform specification sheet.)



**Providence Academy Uniform: Gym Uniform**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>PURCHASE FROM</b>
Shorts	Navy Sport Short With Lion Logo	Providence Academy Spirit Store
T-Shirts	Light Gray T-Shirt With Lion Logo	Providence Academy Spirit Store
Athletic Jacket	Dark Navy “Athletic Jacket” With White Stripe, Providence Insignia 1028155K	Land’s End, request Providence logo
Athletic Pants	Dark Navy “Athletic Pants” With White Stripe, Providence Insignia 1028155K	Land’s End, request Providence logo
Socks	White Sport Socks	Any retailer
Shoes (Grades 1-12)	Non-marking White/Plain Athletic Shoes	Any retailer
Shoes (Kindergarten)	Non-marking White/Plain Athletic Shoes with Velcro Closure	Any retailer

You may purchase gym T-shirts and shorts from the Providence Academy Spirit Store. You may purchase optional gym outerwear from Land’s End.

Please note: the Classic Navy Sweatshirt, that is part of the Providence Academy uniform, may not be worn for physical education classes. Also, Providence Academy spirit wear may not to be worn for physical education classes.