



2017-2018 Providence Academy Uniform Dress Code: General Information

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 as a unique person while diminishing the importance of external factors such as clothing.

Providence Academy students are expected to maintain a neat, clean, and modest appearance at all times. All clothing and appearance choices should uphold the spirit in which the Providence Academy Uniform Dress Code is written. Uniforms are required on all school days except when specified by the administration. The appropriateness of clothing, makeup, hair or accessories is ultimately at the discretion of the school. In general:

- Uniform articles and dress code varies among the Divisions. Please read the information for your child's Division.
- Uniform is expected to be in good condition: items that wear or fade over time should be replaced
- Clothing is expected to be properly sized to fit
- Uniform articles are to be worn appropriately (i.e.: shirts tucked in, shoelaces tied, skirts proper length).

Students who do not meet dress code expectations may need to change into appropriate clothing borrowed from the Student Service Office, or their parents may be called to bring appropriate clothing to school. Consistent adherence to dress code expectations helps students advance a dignified culture and avoid needless consequences.

Purchasing Uniforms:

All uniform pants must be purchased from one of our uniform vendors: Donald's, Educational Outfitters or Land's End School. Please note carefully where each piece of uniform clothing may be purchased and that clothing item is part of the school uniform line to ensure consistency in style and color. Please note that the insignia is required on all sweaters, sweatshirts, and uniform athletic apparel, yet not allowed on other pieces for uniform consistency.

Donald's is located at 972 Payne Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55101, with a second location at 6407 City West Pkwy Eden Prairie, MN 55344-7845. Families may shop in either store or order online (www.donaldsuniform.com) or by phone (651-776-2723). Donald's typically serves as co-host with the Providence Academy Parent Association (PAPA) of our annual August new and used uniform sale. Donald's donates 3% of all sales back to PA.

Educational Outfitters is located at 6002 Excelsior Blvd, St. Louis Park, MN 55416. Families may shop in the store or order online (www.minnesota.educationaloutfitters.com - school code MN0408) or by phone ((952) 927-6778). Educational Outfitters also serves as co-host with the Providence Academy Parent Association (PAPA) of our annual August new and used uniform sale. Educational Outfitters donates 3% of all sales back to PA.

Land's End items may be purchased online (www.landsend.com/school), by catalog, or by phone (1-800-469-2222). Land's End will embroider the Providence Academy Insignia (#0128155K) on items requiring the logo for an additional cost. Land's End will donate 3% back to PA (please use our school number, 9000-6480-9, when ordering).

Physical education uniforms are required for all students in 4th through 12th grade physical education classes. Physical education uniforms are available for purchase at the Academy during the Uniform Sale in August and through the Spirit Store, as needed.

Please check all uniform pieces as some are only available from a particular vendor listed above.



2017-2018 Upper School Uniform Dress Code

Please read Providence Academy Uniform Dress Code General Information.

In keeping with the spirit of the uniform policy, all student accessories (e.g.: backpacks, pencil cases, locker accessories) are to be neat, clean, and modest. In addition, slogans, signs, or symbols contrary to our mission and code of conduct (e.g. prominently displayed brand names) are not allowed.

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 and necklines are required on dress-up attire.

Special Days

Special events such as Homecoming, Catholic Schools Week, school dances, and field trips may dictate non-uniform attire specific to those events. Attire expectations will be announced in advance of those events.

Hair

All students: Hair is required to be neat, clean, and modest. Hair should be a natural hair color and not draw undue attention to the student.

Girls: Girls may wear modest hairstyles and hair accessories.

Boys: Boys are required to have short, well-groomed hair. Hair should be cut to above the ears on the side and above the collar from the back (including tails). Sideburns may be no longer than mid-ear. In addition, at least half the forehead should be showing. Facial hair is to be shaved.

Hats

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

Jewelry

Post or hoop earrings should be a maximum of one inch in length and one inch in diameter. Boys may not wear earrings. Immodest jewelry, body and facial jewelry, and ankle bracelets may not be worn. A modest number of accessory items may be worn. Tattoos may not be visible.

Makeup

Providence Academy permits girls with parental approval to wear a modest amount of makeup.

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REQUIRED ITEMS

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	PURCHASE FROM
Pants	Dark Khaki Chino or Twill Pants	Donald's Educational Outfitters Land's End
Shirts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Light Blue or White Oxford Shirt (Short or Long Sleeve) • Classic Navy or White Mesh Performance Interlock Polo Shirt (Short or Long Sleeve) 	Donald's Educational Outfitters Land's End
Socks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tan • Crew style (no logos) 	Any retailer
Shoes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leather (including suede) material • Plain style: No patterns, multi-colors, or prominent logos • Navy, Black, or Brown • Lace-up, loafer, or boat shoe with closed toe and full backs • Shoelaces must be navy, black, brown, gray, white, gold, or silver • Shoe sole should be same color as the shoe or white • Moccasin-style or slipper-style shoes are not permitted (Athletic shoes may be worn for physical education classes only)	Any retailer
Belt	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plain leather • Solid Brown, Black or Navy Blue • Plain buckle 	Any retailer
Gym Uniform	Please see gym uniform specification sheet	Uniform sale in August/order forms available in school offices

OPTIONAL ITEMS

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	PURCHASE FROM
Sweaters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Navy V-neck pullover (Donald's – style #1110 or Educational Outfitters - style#6500) • Classic Navy Drifter V-Neck (Land's End) (All sweaters must have PA Insignia) *Students must wear a uniform dress code-approved shirt in addition if choosing to wear an optional sweater or sweatshirt.	Donald's Educational Outfitters Land's End (must request PA Insignia)
Sweatshirts	Classic Navy Crew Sweatshirt (Sweatshirts must have PA Insignia) *Students must wear a uniform dress code-approved shirt in addition if choosing to wear an optional sweater or sweatshirt.	Donald's Educational Outfitters Land's End (must request PA Insignia)
Shirt	Plain White Crew T-shirt may be worn under the uniform shirt.	Any retailer
Tie	Gold and Navy striped necktie or bow tie may be worn with Oxford shirt	Donald's

Providence Academy Uniform: Upper School Girls

REQUIRED ITEMS

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	PURCHASE FROM
Skirt	Navy Blue Pleated Skirt (Style 439 Polyester/Wool Blend - skirt must be hemmed to mid-knee or longer)	Donald's (long length available) Educational Outfitters
Blouses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Light Blue or White Oxford Shirt (Short or Long Sleeve) Classic Navy or White Mesh or Performance Interlock Polo Shirt (Short or Long Sleeve), Straight or Banded Bottom 	Donald's Educational Outfitters Land's End
Socks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> White or Navy Blue Non-Athletic Knee Socks Navy, White, or Skin-tone Tights Plain style: No patterns, multi-colors, or prominent logos 	Any retailer
Shoes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leather (including patent and suede) material Plain style: No patterns, multi-colors, or prominent logos Navy, Black, or Brown Lace-up, loafer, or boat shoe with closed toe and full backs Shoelaces must be navy, black, brown, gray, white, gold, or silver Shoe sole should be same color as the shoe or white Moccasin or slipper-style shoes are not permitted Heels may not exceed 2" (Athletic shoes may be worn for physical education classes only)	Any retailer
Gym Uniform	Please see gym uniform specification sheet	Uniform sale in August/order forms available in school offices

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Sweaters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Navy V-neck pullover (Donald's – style #1110 or Educational Outfitters - Style #6500) Classic Navy Drifter V-Neck (Land's End) Maize or Classic Navy Plain Front Fine Gauge Cardigan (Land's End) Navy Jewel Neck Cardigan (Educational Outfitters - Style #56424) (All sweaters must have Providence Insignia) *Students must wear a uniform dress code-approved blouse in addition if choosing to wear an optional sweater or sweatshirt.	Donald's Educational Outfitters Land's End (must request PA Insignia)
Sweatshirts	Classic Navy Crew Sweatshirt (Sweatshirts must have PA Insignia) *Students must wear a uniform dress code-approved blouse in addition if choosing to wear an optional sweater or sweatshirt.	Donald's Educational Outfitters Land's End (must request PA Insignia)
Shorts	Navy blue biker shorts may be worn under the uniform skirt (shorts must not be visible below the hemline of the skirt)	Any retailer

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REQUIRED ITEMS

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	PURCHASE FROM
Shorts	Nike Dri Fit Short with Crest Screen printed on leg	Uniform sale in August/order forms

		available in school offices
T-Shirts	Nike Dri Fit T-shirt with Providence Academy Logo	Uniform sale in August/order forms available in school offices
Socks	Uniform Socks or White Sport Socks	Any retailer
Shoes	Non-marking Athletic Shoes	Any retailer