

2023-2024 DRESS AND NEATNESS CODE

Students attending Our Savior Lutheran dress for school following the "Our Savior Lutheran School Standard Dress and Neatness Codes". These codes are reviewed annually by the faculty and approved by the Board of Education.

Standard of Dress Enforcement

- Parental help in maintaining a dress code standard is appreciated and works best when everyone follows the guidelines. Questions pertaining to acceptable clothing items or styles, should be directed to the office or a teacher prior to purchasing or wearing.
- Parents will be notified if a child is not in compliance with the dress code. Excessive or repeated violations will be considered a behavioral issue that will initiate further disciplinary action.

Special "No Uniform Days"

The principal and/or teachers will provide guidelines for appropriate dress on special 'no uniform days'.

School Spirit Wear

Students will be permitted to wear any blue, black, white, or gray OSLS spirit wear top with dress code appropriate bottoms. There is an online store where school spirit wear may be purchased. The store can be found using the link on the school website at www.osvaschool.org.

Standard of Dress Guidelines

Girls Kindergarten-8th Grade

- Shirts: any solid color - short or long sleeve, 2 or 3-button cotton polos, buttoned down collared oxfords, or Peter Pan collared blouses – **only school logos**
- Turtlenecks (cotton): any solid color - **no ribbed knit or sweater styles**
- Polo Dresses: any solid color
- Skirts and Jumpers (twill, cotton, or corduroy): navy blue or khaki
- Long Pants Uniform Style (twill, cotton, or corduroy): navy blue or khaki - **Slit and slash pockets only, straight legged, no patch pockets and no cargo style or denim material**
- Dress Shorts and Skorts Uniform Style (twill, cotton, or corduroy): navy blue or khaki **Slit and slash pockets only, no patch pockets and no cargo style or denim material**
- Belts (4th -8th grade required): solid colors in black, shades of brown, or navy blue
- Sweaters (v-neck, crew neck, cardigan, or vests): any solid color – **no zippers or hoods**
- Sweatshirts (crew neck style): any solid color or an Our Savior Lutheran School sweatshirt – a code compliant turtleneck, oxford, or polo shirt must be worn underneath – **no hoods or zippers**
- Socks (any style): any color
- Tights (footed): any color – **no leggings**
- Shoes (closed-toe): completely enclose the foot, flat with non-skid or rubber sole (e.g. tennis shoes or Mary Jane style) – **no wheels or lights**
- Boots: acceptable for outside wear only

Boys Kindergarten-8th Grade

- Shirts: any solid color - short or long sleeve, 2 or 3-button cotton polos, buttoned down collared oxfords – **only school logos**
- Turtlenecks (cotton): any solid color - **no ribbed knit or sweater styles**
- Long Pants Uniform Style (twill, cotton, or corduroy): navy blue or khaki - **Slit and slash pockets only, straight legged, no patch pockets and no cargo style or denim material**
- Shorts Uniform Style (twill, cotton, or corduroy): navy blue or khaki - **Slit and slash pockets only, no patch pockets and no cargo style or denim material**
- Belts (4th -8th grade required): solid colors in black, shades of brown, or navy blue
- Sweaters (v-neck, crew neck, cardigan, or vests): any solid color – no zippers or hoods
- Sweatshirts (crew neck style): any solid color or an Our Savior Lutheran School sweatshirt – a code compliant turtleneck, oxford, or polo shirt must be worn underneath – **no hoods or zippers**
- Socks (any style): any color
- Shoes (closed-toe): completely enclose the foot, flat with non-skid or rubber sole (e.g. tennis shoes or loafers) – **no wheels or lights**
- Boots: acceptable for outside wear only

Pre-Kindergarten Dress Code

- Students should wear uniform compliant shirts with appropriate bottoms that he or she can easily and independently manipulate. (Students should be able to use the bathroom independently).
- Students may wear the full uniform as long as it doesn't hinder independence in the bathroom
- Shirts: any solid color - short or long sleeve, 2 or 3-button cotton polos, buttoned down collared oxfords, or Peter Pan collared blouses – **only school logos**
- Turtlenecks (cotton): any solid color - **no ribbed knit or sweater styles**
- Shoes (closed-toe): completely enclose the foot, flat with non-skid or rubber sole (e.g. tennis shoes or Mary Jane style) – **no wheels or lights**
- Boots: acceptable for outside wear only

Neatness Code

In conjunction with our Standard Dress Code, we ask all students to follow this Neatness Code.

- Clothing should be in good condition, not torn and no cut offs
- Clothing should be appropriately sized for the individual
- Clothing should be modest, not tight fitting
- Shirts are to be tucked in.
- Long sleeve shirts are not to be worn under short sleeve shirts.
- Pants must be worn at correct waist level and not be excessively long or short.
- Skirts, shorts, skorts, or jumper lengths must be fingertip length.
- Shorts are not to be below knee level.

- Shorts should not show below dresses, skirts, or jumpers.
- Sweaters and Sweatshirts worn in the classroom should not have a hood or zipper.
- No footwear with wheels or lights permitted.
- Students are expected to be dressed appropriately for weather conditions. Coats are not to be worn in the classroom.
- Hats, visors, scarves, sweat bands, and bandanas are not to be worn inside.
- No make-up of any kind is permitted.
- Hairstyles, hair accessories, and jewelry must not distract or interfere with the learning atmosphere.
- Visible tattoos or other such markings, whether temporary or permanent, are not permitted.

Uniform Procurement Options

Department Stores

- A variety of stores carry school uniform clothing. You are not limited to any one particular store or company.
- Land's End has a school uniform catalog available and carries an Our Savior Lutheran School logo that can be embroidered on a polo shirt or sweatshirt for an additional fee of \$5.50. In order to order this logo, you will need to use the Logo Number #0283558K; and you will want to mention our preferred school #9000-8066-4. Land's End will donate 3% of your net sales back to our school. Their web site is landsend.com/school and the phone number is 1-800-469-2222.

School Uniform Closet

Our Savior has a school uniform closet across the hall from the office. It is overflowing with clothing items of all sizes – some are new with tags! Items are nominally charged. You may also donate your child's clothing to the closet.