

# DRESS CODE General Information

Providence Heights Alpha School is a private Catholic elementary school, which maintains the right to establish a uniform dress code for its students. It is recognized that proper school attire and good grooming are conducive to a student's educational and social development. This dress code was developed:

- to promote a Christian atmosphere
- to free children for academic concentration
- to de-emphasize competition among children regarding clothing

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- to allow more economical dress for school
- to provide some choices to accommodate individual differences

The dress code is required of all students in kindergarten through eighth grade. This policy is intended to maintain a standard of dress that is neat, economical, modest, and attractive. The general requirements are outlined below, along with detailed information regarding weather-related, chapel day, shoe, outerwear, and non-uniform day requirements, as well as specifics on vendor information.

Pre-kindergarten students should dress in comfortable play clothes that promote independent movement. For pre-kindergarten students comfortable, athletic shoes are required. Tennis shoes with Velcro straps are recommended. Please no sandals, open toed shoes, or crocs.

Should you have any questions regarding the school's dress code, please contact your child's homeroom teacher.

## **Uniform Vendors**

Providence Heights Alpha School uses two vendors for the uniforms, Lands' End and Schoolbelles.

*Lands' End* offers online purchases or phone purchases. The preferred school number for Lands' End is: 9001-6209-0

*Schoolbelles* offers online purchases or phone purchases. Schoolbelles also has a physical store located at 4721 McKnight Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15237. The local store phone number is (412) 630-8480. When ordering at Schoolbelles, the preferred school number is: S2127

Promotional flyers for both vendors can be obtained at the Alpha School front office.

Providence Heights Alpha School also has a <u>school store</u> called the Eagles' Nest. Here, gently worn uniform items may be purchased at a discount.

We strongly encourage that you label your child's clothes, especially outerwear that is oftentimes misplaced.

#### Dress Code Requirements: Boys, Grades K-8

Tops	Colors	Combinations of
Oxford shirt with Alpha logo –	White	uniform clothing are
short or long sleeves	Winte	as follows:
Polo style knit shirt with Alpha logo –	White or Navy	1
short or long sleeves	while of flaty	• Navy pants/shorts
Bottoms	Colors	with a white shirt
Pants	Navy or khaki	or polo only
Shorts (Aug-Oct 31 & April 1-June)	Navy or khaki	• Khaki pants/shorts
Accessories	Colors	with white or navy
Mass tie - REQUIRED on Mass days	Navy, Alpha plaid, or green & navy stripe	shirt or polo
Belt - optional	Solid navy, black, or brown	
Shoes/Socks	Colors	
Non-athletic "looking" – low cut dress,	Solid navy, black, brown, white, or	
casual leather, or canvas. NO	neutral	
Converse.		1
Socks – knee-high, crew, or ankle	Solid navy, black, brown, white, or	
(Must be worn with all shoe types)	neutral	4
Boots (Nov 1 – Mar 31)	Solid navy, black, brown, white, or	Chapel Day
	neutral	Requirements
Gym Uniform	Colors	-
Gym shirt with Alpha logo (for gym days only)	Gray	• Oxford white shirt
Gym shorts with Alpha logo	Navy	with the Alpha logo
(for gym days only Aug-Oct 31 & April	14dvy	• Mass tie to be worn
1-June)		<ul><li>all day</li><li>No outerwear may</li></ul>
Gym sweatpants with Alpha logo	Navy	• No outer wear may be worn in the
(for gym days only)		chapel
Athletic shoes/socks (for gym days only)	Any color	enuper
Outerv		-
Various items available. If worn in the b		
Must be embroidered with Alpha Sc		
<b>Must</b> be purchased through Lands End or Schoolbelles No Spirit outerwear is permitted to be worn in the classroom unless it is a		
	e worn in the classroom unless it is a	
specified dress down Spirit Day		

## General Dress Code Requirements: Boys, Grades K-8

- Shirts are to be tucked in and worn neatly.(Untucked shirts will be a dress code violation)
- Pants, shorts, and sweatpants are to be worn at the natural waistline or slightly below. Clothing may not be rolled at the waist line or worn below the hip line.
- Socks are required and no show socks are not permitted.
- Spirit wear, athletic coats, and winter jackets are *only* permitted to be worn during recess and transitions between buildings. *Only outerwear with the Alpha School logo may be worn in the classroom.*
- Hair color should be NATURAL and hair styles are to be neat and conservative. (Purple, green, pink, blue, etc., hair color is not permitted.) Hair should not cover the eyes as to obstruct a student's vision and hair length should not touch the top of the collar.

#### Not Permitted:

- Earrings
- Hats, bandanas, scarves, tattoos or body piercing

<b>Dress Code</b>	Requirements:	Girls,	Grades K-3
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Tops	Colors	Combinations of
Blouse – short or long sleeves	White	uniform clothing are as
Polo style knit shirt with Alpha logo – short	White or Navy	follows:
or long sleeves		5
Bottoms	Colors	• Plaid jumper with
Jumper (only sold at Schoolbelles)	Navy or plaid	white blouse, or
Pants	Navy or khaki	white or navy polo
Shorts (Aug-Oct 31 & April 1-June)	Navy or khaki	shirt
Biker shorts (for under jumper)	Solid navy or black	• Navy jumper with a
Accessories	Colors	white blouse or polo only
Tights or Leggings	Solid navy, black, or white	<ul> <li>Navy pants/shorts</li> </ul>
Mass tie – criss cross REQUIRED on Mass	Navy	with a white polo
days		only
Belt - optional	Solid navy, black, or brown	<ul> <li>Khaki pants/shorts</li> </ul>
Shoes/Socks	Colors	with white or navy
Non-athletic "looking" – low cut dress,	Solid navy, black, brown,	polo
casual leather, or canvas. NO Converse.	white, or neutral	-
Socks – knee-high, crew, or ankle	Solid navy, black, brown,	
(Must be worn with all shoe types)	white, or neutral	-
Boots (Nov 1 – Mar 31)	Solid navy, black, brown,	
Gym Uniform	white, or neutral Colors	Channel David
Gym shirt with Alpha logo		Chapel Day
(for gym days only)	Gray	Requirements
Gym shorts with Alpha logo	Navy	White shirt
(for gym days only Aug-Oct 31 & April	1	<ul> <li>Mass tie to be worn</li> </ul>
1-June)		all day
Gym sweatpants with Alpha logo	Navy	<ul> <li>No outerwear may</li> </ul>
(for gym days only)		be worn in the
Athletic shoes/socks (for gym days only)	Any color	chapel
Outerwear		-
	Various items available. If worn in the building	
Must be embroidered with Alpha School logo		
<b>Must</b> be purchased through Lands End or Schoolbelles No Spirit outerwear is permitted to be worn in the classroom unless it is		
	orn in the classroom unless It is	
a specified dress down Spirit Day		

## General Dress Code Requirements: Girls, Grades K-3

- Blouses and shirts are to be tucked in and worn neatly.
- Pants, shorts, skirts, and sweatpants are to be worn at the natural waistline or slightly below. Clothing may not be rolled at the waist line or worn below the hip line.
- Shorts, skirts, and jumpers must be worn in a conservative fashion, not greater than 3" above the knee.
- Socks are required and no show socks/peds are not permitted.
- Spirit wear, athletic coats, and winter jackets are *only* permitted to be worn during recess and transitions between buildings. *Only outerwear with the Alpha School logo may be worn in the classroom.*
- Hair color should be NATURAL and hair style are to be neat and conservative and should not cover the eyes as to obstruct the student's vision (Purple, green, pink, blue, hair color is not permitted)
- Simple hair accessories are permitted. (No cat ears, unicorn horns, etc.)
- Girls are permitted to wear nail polish and small earrings in a conservative manner.

#### Not Permitted:

- Large or dangling earrings or excessive amount of jewelry or makeup
- Hats, bandanas, scarves, tattoos and body piercing

### Dress Code Requirements: Girls, Grades 4-8

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Blouse with Alpha logo –	White	uniform clothing are as
short or long sleeves	, vinte	follows:
Polo style knit shirt with Alpha logo – short	White or Navy	<b>9</b>
or long sleeves		• Plaid skirt with white
Bottoms	Colors	blouse, or white or
Skirts	Navy or plaid	navy polo shirt
Pants	Navy or khaki	• Navy
Shorts (Aug-Oct 31 & April 1-June)	Navy or khaki	pants/shorts/skirt
Biker shorts (for under skirt)	Solid navy or black	with a white polo
Accessories	Colors	only
Tights or Leggings	Solid navy, black, or white	Khaki pants/shorts
Mass tie – criss cross <b>REQUIRED</b> on Mass	Navy	with white or navy polo
days	-	poio
Belt - optional	Navy, black, or brown	
Shoes/Socks	Colors	
Non-athletic "looking"– low cut dress,	Solid navy, black, brown,	
casual leather, or canvas. NO Converse.	white, or neutral	
Socks – knee-high, crew, or ankle	Solid navy, black, brown,	
(Must be worn with all shoe types)	white, or neutral	
Boots (Nov 1 – Mar 31)	Solid navy, black, brown,	
	white, or neutral	
Gym Clothes	Colors	
Gym shirt with Alpha logo (for gym days only)	Gray	Chapel Day
Gym shorts with Alpha logo (for gym days	Navy	Requirements
only Aug-Oct 31 & Apr. 1-Jun)	INavy	White shirt
Gym sweatpants with Alpha logo	Navy	<ul> <li>Mass tie to be worn</li> </ul>
(for gym days only)	l'uvy	all day
Athletic shoes (for gym days only)	Any color	• No outerwear may be
Outerwear		worn in the chapel
	Various items available. If worn in the building	
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#### Non-Uniform Days/Dress Down Days

Alpha has several dress down days throughout the school year (i.e., holiday celebrations, spirit days, and Wacky Wednesdays). Non-uniform day attire must reflect the theme of the event/follow the spirit of the dress code or students may choose to wear their uniform. On these days, students are permitted to wear jeans, sweat pants, or track pants. Athletic shoes are permitted on non-uniform/dress down days. Students are NOT permitted to wear sandals, flip-flops, slip ons, crocs, high heels, etc for safety reasons. Students are also not permitted to wear short shorts, tanks tops, spaghetti straps, clothes with offensive logos, jeans or shirts with holes, lounge pants, PJ pants, etc. If tight fitting pants, yoga pants, leggings are worn, they must be accompanied by a long top/shirt that covers the buttocks.

#### **Uniform Violations**

Uniform violations will be taken very seriously and begin with a verbal reminder to adhere to the dress code policy.

Dress code violations include not wearing your tie all day on Mass days, shirts being untucked, wearing shoes without socks, etc.

Clothes from the Eagle's Nest will be used to correct dress code infractions immediately when possible –i.e. short skirts will be replaced with a more appropriate length skirt.

If a student "forgets" to wear his/her tie on Friday, the student will be required to wear a tie everyday for a week (excluding gym days).

For other dress code violations that are more difficult to correct immediately – shoes, hair color, etc, parents will be notified and asked to rectify the situation.

Homeroom teachers will complete a dress code check on each student upon arrival as well as classroom teachers throughout the school day and document any dress code violations.

Continued and/or flagrant disregard of the dress code may result in in-school suspension until the dress code is adhered to or a plan is developed.

### Acceptable Shoe Examples



Unacceptable Shoe Examples



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