

Dress Code Policy

Our development of a dress code policy is driven by a desire to create and promote an environment of learning where dress is not a distraction to the educational process based on the following principles:

1. Our goal is to honor God in all we do, acknowledging the Lordship of Jesus Christ in our choices.
2. A dress code teaches children to present themselves ready for the task at hand. Clothing represents the vocational calling of a person, and inherent in the dress code policy is the aesthetic communication that students are working toward a common goal of being active participants in receiving an education. The neat appearance created by a dress code enhances a ready-to-learn atmosphere by de-emphasizing the social impact of dress and focusing the students on academic pursuits.
3. The differences between grade level requirements in attire are meant to communicate and instill an appreciation of the physical growth and development that God has created as a natural part of our lives. In other words, it's a practical way to help our students learn to number their days. Psalm 90:12- *So teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom.*
4. The dress code assists security. Teachers and staff can clearly identify students from outsiders during outdoor activities, recess, and field trips.

*During school hours, students in all grades are to adhere to the dress code at all times except on special announced occasions. The administration is responsible for the final interpretation of the policy. If the administration or staff believe that parents or students have misinterpreted what is permissible according to the dress code, communication will be made to clarify.

| Garment | Description |
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| <p>Pants Shorts</p> | <p>Navy or Khaki No belts please Clasps/buttons/snaps students are independent with is preferable Jeggings and Yoga Pants are not acceptable</p> |
| <p>Collared Shirt</p> | <p>Light Blue or Navy Polo Light Blue Oxford (tucking optional)</p> |
| <p>Sweater Sweatshirt</p> | <p>Vests, Pullover, Cardigan: Solid Navy or Grey BCA Spirit Wear Crew Neck Sweatshirt with collared shirt underneath Coats and jackets are not allowed in class</p> |
| <p>Shoes</p> | <p>Tennis shoes or well fitting dress shoes only. Also, no shoe strings that need to be tied (elastic laces only, otherwise opt for Velcro). Dressy shoes are not required, as our preschoolers spend lots of time outside. Lands End Examples No cowboy boots</p> |
| <p>Dresses Girls Only</p> | <p>Navy or Light Blue White, Gray, or Navy Leggings or Bike Shorts MUST be worn under dresses. Leggings can be full or capri length. Examples: Lands' End School Dresses & Jumpers</p> |
| <p>Jumpers Skirts Girls Only</p> | <p>Navy, Khaki, or Lands' End (Clear Blue Plaid) White, Gray, or Navy Leggings or Bike Shorts MUST be worn under skirts. Leggings can be full or capri length. Examples: Lands' End School Dresses & Jumpers</p> |
| <p>Lunchbox</p> | <p>Lunch box with a SHOULDER STRAP so they can wear it up the stairs if necessary.</p> |
| <p>Backpack</p> | <p>Only needs to be large enough to hold one folder and their lunchbox</p> |

NOTE: The only acceptable embroidery on clothing for students is the school logo. Two local providers have the pre-approved BCA logo on file: The Nest (Bloomfield) & Choice Uniform (Bardstown). To use another provider you must secure the approved logo from school.

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| <p>Pants Shorts</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">BOYS</p> <p>Color: Solid Navy or Khaki Pant Type/Style: Lands' End Examples Shorts Type/Style: Lands' End Examples Shorts Length: Top or right below knee Belt: Optional <i>Jeggings and Yoga Pants are not acceptable</i></p> | <p style="text-align: center;">GIRLS</p> <p>Color: Solid Navy or Khaki Pant Type/Style: Lands' End Examples Shorts Type/Style: Lands' End Examples Shorts Length: 2" from top of knee or right below knee Belt: Optional <i>Jeggings and Yoga Pants are not acceptable</i></p> |
| <p>Collared Shirts</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">BOYS & GIRLS</p> <p>Logo: Required (<i>Choice Uniforms and The Nest will embroider your shirts</i>) Color: Solid Navy, Solid Light Blue Type/Style: Any solid collared shirt type represented here: Lands End School Shirts Tucking: Boys- required Girls- optional so long as neat appearance maintained Camisoles and Undershirts: deemed undergarments and should be tucked in, not visible below the hem of other shirts.</p> | |
| <p>Outerwear</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">BOYS & GIRLS</p> <p><i>* Outerwear is to be worn on top of the required collared shirt. Hoods are not allowed.</i> Logo: Optional Options: Vest, Pullover, Cardigan, Zip-up Fleece Jacket, BCA Spirit Wear Crew Neck Sweatshirt may also be worn with collar, Hoodies are not allowed in the classroom Color: Solid Navy or Grey Coats and Jackets: not allowed in class; any appropriate coat or jacket may be worn to school</p> | |
| <p>Shoes</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">BOYS & GIRLS</p> <p>Athletic Shoes or Full-foot Dress Shoes (ex:no sandals, flip flops, crocs) Lands' End Examples</p> | |
| <p>Dresses Jumpers</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">GIRLS ONLY</p> <p>Logo: Optional Color: Solid Navy or Khaki/ Or Lands' End "Clear Blue Plaid" Type/Style: Any type found here: Lands' End School Dresses Length: At the top of the knee or longer Leggings or Bike Shorts: Required underneath; White, Gray, or Navy; Shorts, Full, or Capri length.</p> | |
| <p>Skirts Skorts</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">GIRLS ONLY</p> <p>Color: Solid Navy or Khaki/ Or Lands' End "Clear Blue Plaid" Type/Style: Any type/style found here: Lands' End School Skirts & Skorts Length: At the top of the knee or longer Leggings or Bike Shorts: Required underneath; White, Gray, or Navy; Short, Full, or Capri length.</p> | |

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| <p>Collared Shirts</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">BOYS & GIRLS</p> <p>Logo: Required (<i>Choice Uniforms and The Nest will embroider your shirts</i>) Color: Solid Navy, Solid Light Blue Type/Style: Any solid collared shirt type represented here: Lands End School Shirts Tucking: Boys- required Girls- optional so long as neat appearance maintained</p> | |
| <p>Outer-wear</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">BOYS & GIRLS</p> <p><i>* Outerwear is to be worn on top of the required collared shirt. Hoods are not allowed.</i> Logo: Optional Options: Vest, Pullover, Cardigan, Zip-up Fleece Jacket, BCA Spirit Wear Crew Neck Sweatshirt may also be worn with collar, Hoodies are not allowed in the classroom Color: Solid Navy or Grey Coats and Jackets: not allowed in class; any appropriate coat or jacket may be worn to school</p> | |
| <p>Shoes</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">BOYS & GIRLS</p> <p>Athletic Shoes or Full-foot Dress Shoes (ex:no sandals, flip flops, crocs) Lands' End Examples</p> | |
| <p>Dresses</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">GIRLS ONLY</p> <p>Color: Solid Navy or Khaki/ Or Lands' End "Clear Blue Plaid" Type/Style: Any type found here: Lands' End School Dresses Length: At the top of the knee or longer Leggings or Bike Shorts: Required underneath; White, Gray, or Navy; Shorts, Full, or Capri length.</p> | |
| <p>Skirts Skorts</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">GIRLS ONLY</p> <p>Color: Solid Navy or Khaki/ Or Lands' End "Clear Blue Plaid" Type/Style: Any "AT THE KNEE" or "TOP OF THE KNEE" found here: Lands' End School Skirts & Skorts. Length: At the top of the knee or longer. NOTE: "ABOVE THE KNEE" skirts are usually too short considering Recreation time is given everyday and PE occurs 2-3 times a week. Leggings or Bike Shorts: Required under skirts; White, Gray, or Navy; Shorts, Full, or Capri length.</p> | |

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| <p>Pants Shorts</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">YOUNG MEN</p> <p>Color: Solid Navy or Khaki Pant Type/Style: Lands' End Examples Shorts Type/Style: Lands' End Examples Shorts Length: Top or right below knee Belt: Required</p> <p><i>Jeggings and Yoga Pants are not acceptable</i></p> | <p style="text-align: center;">YOUNG WOMEN</p> <p>Color: Solid Navy or Khaki Pant Type/Style: Lands' End Examples Shorts Type/Style: Lands' End Examples Shorts Length: 2" from top of knee or right below knee Belt: Optional</p> <p><i>Jeggings and Yoga Pants are not acceptable</i></p> |
| <p>Collared Shirts</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">YOUNG MEN & YOUNG WOMEN</p> <p>Logo: Required (<i>Choice Uniforms and The Nest will embroider your shirts</i>) Color: Solid Navy, Solid Light Blue Type/Style: Any solid collared shirt type represented here: Lands End School Shirts Tucking: Boys- required Girls- optional so long as neat appearance maintained</p> | |
| <p>Outer-wear</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">YOUNG MEN & YOUNG WOMEN</p> <p><i>* Outerwear is to be worn on top of the required collared shirt. Hoods are not allowed.</i> Logo: Optional Options: Vest, Pullover, Cardigan, Zip-up Fleece Jacket, BCA Spirit Wear Crew Neck Sweatshirt may also be worn with collar, Hoodies are not allowed in the classroom Color: Solid Navy or Grey Coats and Jackets: not allowed in class; any appropriate coat or jacket may be worn to school</p> | |
| <p>Shoes</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">YOUNG MEN & YOUNG WOMEN</p> <p>Athletic Shoes or Full-foot Dress Shoes (ex:no sandals, flip flops, crocs) Lands' End Examples Please keep in mind that even our older students spend time outdoors and at recreation and should be in comfortable shoes.</p> | |
| <p>Dresses</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">YOUNG WOMEN ONLY</p> <p>Color: Solid Navy or Khaki/ Or Lands' End "Clear Blue Plaid" Type/Style: Any "AT THE KNEE" or "TOP OF KNEE" skirt found here: Lands' End Length: At the top of the knee or longer NOTE: "ABOVE THE KNEE" skirts are usually too short considering Recreation time is given everyday and PE occurs 2-3 times a week. Leggings or Bike Shorts: Required underneath; White, Gray, or Navy; Shorts, Full, or Capri length.</p> | |
| <p>Formal Wear</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">*THIS IS THE FORMAL WEAR ATTIRE STUDENTS WILL BE REQUESTED TO WEAR AT SPECIAL TIMES. IN ORDER TO KEEP COSTS AT A MINIMUM, THESE ARE ALSO EVERY DAY UNIFORM OPTIONS, NOT "IN ADDITION TO."</p> <p>Young Men: Khaki Pants, Tucked Navy Blue Polo with Logo, Belt, Dress Shoes Young Women: Skirt Option above, Light Blue Polo with Logo, Dress Shoes</p> | |

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| <p>Pants Shorts</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">YOUNG MEN</p> <p>Color: Solid Gray, Navy, or Khaki Pant Type/Style: Lands' End Examples Shorts Type/Style: Lands' End Examples Shorts Length: Top or right below knee Belt: Required</p> <p><i>Jeggings and Yoga Pants are not acceptable</i></p> | <p style="text-align: center;">YOUNG WOMEN</p> <p>Color: Solid Gray, Navy, or Khaki Pant Type/Style: Lands' End Examples Shorts Type/Style: Lands' End Examples (except the drawstring option) Shorts Length: 2" from top of knee or right below knee Belt: Optional</p> <p><i>Jeggings and Yoga Pants are not acceptable</i></p> |
| <p>Collared Shirts</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">YOUNG MEN & YOUNG WOMEN</p> <p>Logo: Required (<i>Choice Uniforms and The Nest will embroider your shirts</i>) Color: Solid Navy, Solid Light Blue, Solid Gray, White Type/Style: Any solid collared shirt type represented here: Lands End School Shirts Tucking: Boys- required Girls- optional so long as neat appearance maintained</p> | |
| <p>Outer-wear</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">YOUNG MEN & YOUNG WOMEN</p> <p><i>* Outerwear is to be worn on top of the required collared shirt. Hoods are not allowed.</i> Logo: Optional Options: Vest, Pullover, Cardigan, Zip-up Fleece Jacket, BCA Spirit Wear Crew Neck Sweatshirt may also be worn with collar, Hoodies are not allowed in the classroom Color: Solid Navy or Grey Coats and Jackets: not allowed in class; any appropriate coat or jacket may be worn to school</p> | |
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| <p>Skirts YOUNG WOMEN ONLY</p> | <p>Color: Solid Navy, Khaki, or Gray/ Or Lands' End "Clear Blue Plaid" Type/Style: Any "AT THE KNEE" or "TOP OF KNEE" skirt found here: Lands' End Length: At the top of the knee or longer NOTE: "ABOVE THE KNEE" skirts are usually too short considering Recreation time is given everyday and PE occurs 2-3 times a week. Leggings or Bike Shorts: Required underneath; White, Gray, or Navy; Shorts, Full, or Capri length.</p> | |
| <p>Formal Wear</p> | <p>*THIS IS THE FORMAL WEAR ATTIRE STUDENTS WILL BE REQUESTED TO WEAR AT SPECIAL TIMES. IN ORDER TO KEEP COSTS AT A MINIMUM, THESE ARE ALSO EVERY DAY UNIFORM OPTIONS, NOT "IN ADDITION TO."</p> <p>Young Men: Navy Pants; White Dress Shirt; Belt; Dress Shoes; Gray or Navy Blazer or Sweater Vest, This Tie Required Young Women: Skirt Option above, Tucked White Dress shirt with Logo, Navy Blue Cross Tie, Dress Shoes, Navy Blazer, Cardigan, or Sweater Vest</p> <p><i>*Embroidered LOGO required on blazer, cardigan, and sweater vest</i></p> | |

| Shirts | Bottoms |
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| BCA Spirit Wear shirts from any year BCA House Shirts from any year Tucking not required | Any bottom listed for regular dress code Jeans <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Any shade of <u>blue</u>jeans ● No holes/tears ● Length: Full, capri, or shorts (must be at the top of the knee or right below the knee) |
| Students are not required to wear spirit-wear on spirit-wear days. Regular dress code attire is allowed on spirit-wear days. | |

ADDITIONAL NOTES REGARDING DRESS CODE

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| Hair | Should be presentable and groomed Colorful dyed hair is not allowed (<i>except the spray-on temporary colors for special announced days</i>). |
| Hats | It is up to the parent whether to allow natural colored highlights or natural colored hair dyes. No hats or bandanas (<i>except on special announced days</i>) |
| Makeup | Girls only Elementary and younger: lipgloss only Middle and high school: parent discretion, but not overdone and/or distracting; colors must be neutral-type of colors |
| Logo | The only acceptable embroidery on clothing for students is the school logo. Pre-approved local providers: The Nest (Bloomfield) & Choice Uniform (Bardstown). To use another provider, ask the office for the logo file. |
| Jeggings, Yoga Pants, and similar pants | Jeggings and Yoga pants are not allowed for any student. Skin tight pants are not allowed. The appropriate colored legging can be worn with a skirt or dress on top (see the dress code requirements for details). |
| Change of Clothes | Students in grades preschool – 1st grade should bring a change of clothing in their backpack. Clothing items (shirt, pants, undergarment, and socks) need to be placed in a ziplock bag and put your child’s name on the outside. Wet or stained clothes will be placed in a bag for you to take home and replace for the next day. Make sure to update clothing as the weather changes. |

Why doesn't BCA just have a designated "uniform" instead of a "dress-code"?

We have not opted for a required uniform provider at this time because we desire to allow you to choose which brand and price decisions you want to make. We also desire to allow you to make clothing decisions that fit the needs and comfort levels of your child, while maintaining high standards for our school. However, we are in the process of establishing a school page with Lands' End which will fit the needs of those who desire a one-stop shop. Once that is ready, we will notify the school community.

Is there a "one-stop shop"?

We are in the process of establishing a school account with Lands' End which will serve as a one stop shop for those who desire to utilize it.

In the meantime, to simplify your decisions, you can purchase all clothing (even accessories, backpacks, lunchboxes, etc) via Lands' End. We included links in the dress code descriptions.

Is BCA moving towards a "uniform" instead of a "dress-code"?

To avoid a required "uniform" from our chosen provider, please make every effort to stick within the dress-code that we have provided. We have strived to make it very specific in order to avoid misunderstandings and misinterpretations. Our goal for our dress code is to establish modest and beautiful attire that is not distracting from the important work we come to school to do. We also desire for our teachers to focus on teaching and learning instead of dress code issues. We realize that misunderstandings and miscommunication will still occur and desire to work together to make sure everyone is on the same page. We appreciate your attention to ensuring you have read the dress code thoroughly and encourage you to ask questions for clarifications, if needed.

What happens if a student comes to school out of dress code?

Students who arrive at school who do not meet dress code guidelines will be required to call parents and wait in the office until the correct attire is provided. At times, we can pull lender garments from the used uniform closet. If you do not want us to provide lender garments for your child, please notify the office.

Where do I get garments embroidered?

Only acceptable embroidery on clothing is the school logo.

Pre-approved local providers: The Nest (Bloomfield) & Choice Uniform (Bardstown).

To use another provider, ask the office for the logo file.

* Please note- We are working on establishing a school store with Lands' End. Once that is finished, if you choose to purchase shirts through them they will include the embroidered logo.

Should parents and volunteers follow the dress code when they are at school?

When parents volunteer at the school, they should follow the same guidelines of modesty and