





Kindergarten-5th Grade Dress Code

General Guidelines: All students must be in the official school uniform on the first day of school and during each school day unless otherwise approved and communicated by the Administrator for a special occasion, e.g. casual day. All students enrolling during the school year must be in uniform within one day of attending school. In that unusual case, casual dress standards will be observed until the official school uniform is obtained.

We have a new uniform provider that just opened up in Arlington: EDUCATIONAL OUTFITTERS OF ARLINGTON (LL9, 2499 Harrison St., Arlington, VA 22207, Ph. 703-241-2021). You can go to the store or order online at: arlington.educationaloutfitters.com. Chapel uniforms, including ties, chapel jumpers and skirts may be purchased through EDUCATIONAL OUTFITTERS OF ARLINGTON or Flynn & O'Hara <https://www.flynnohara.com> (Fair City Mall) 9650 Main Street, Fairfax, VA 703 503-5966 (WOLCA'S pattern is Hunter/Classic Navy Plaid).

	Elementary Girls	Elementary Boys
Every Day (Except Chapel Day)		
Pants/Jumper	<p>Choice of: <u>Uniform Jumper.</u> The bottom hem of the jumper will not be above the middle of the back of the knee. <u>Navy or Khaki, cotton twill SKORTS</u> are acceptable with a white, red, navy or hunter green polo shirt, long or short sleeve but the SKORT must be at knee length and middle of back of knee. <i>Parents must monitor the compliance to the uniform standards throughout the school year as the student grows and may outgrow a uniform.</i> OR Navy blue or Khaki pants (no tight pencil leg pants) and a white, red, navy or hunter green polo shirt (except for Chapel Day) OR Navy or Khaki walking shorts*, knee length and middle of back of knee (<i>*Sept.1 to Oct.1 & March 1 thru June only</i>)</p> 	<p><u>Navy blue or Khaki</u> cotton twill, plaited or plain front <u>pant ("Dockers" Style)</u>. Back of pant leg may not touch the ground. Pants may not be more than 1 ½ sizes larger than student's measured size. A black or brown belt must be worn at the waist (about 1" below the naval). <u>Navy or Khaki walking shorts</u>, knee length and middle of back of knee (<i>Sept. 1 to Oct. 1 and March 1 thru June only</i>)</p> 

Shirt	<p><u>White oxford cloth shirt</u>, long or short sleeve. <u>White, red, navy or hunter green polo shirt</u>, long or short sleeve. Only the topmost button may be unbuttoned. Shirts must be tucked at all times. This means that the belt or waistband of the pant or skirt must be clearly visible from the front.</p> 	<p><u>White oxford cloth shirt</u>, long or short sleeve. <u>White, red, navy or hunter green polo shirt</u>, long or short sleeve. Only the topmost button may be unbuttoned. Shirts must be tucked at all times. This means that the belt must be clearly visible from the front.</p> 
Sweater (Optional)	Navy Blue Cardigan only (WOLCA logo optional) (No Coats, jackets or hoodies worn in class)	Navy Blue Cardigan only (WOLCA logo opt.) (No Coats, jackets or hoodies worn in class)
Stockings/Socks	Navy Blue or white socks or tights.	Navy Blue or white socks.
Shoes	Tennis shoes. No Boots.	Tennis shoes. No Boots.

CHAPEL DAY: ELEMENTARY

Pants/Jumper	<p><u>Uniform Jumper</u>. The bottom hem of the jumper will not be above the middle of the back of the knee. No Pants, skorts or shorts.</p> 	<p><u>Navy Blue or Khaki</u>, cotton twill, plaited or plain front <u>pant ("Dockers" Style)</u>. Back of pant leg may not touch the ground. Pants may not be more than 1 ½ size larger than student's measured size. A black or brown belt must be worn at the waist (about 1" below the naval). NO Shorts.</p> 
Shirt	<p><u>White oxford cloth shirt</u>, long or short sleeve. Straight collar or "Peter Pan" collar must be buttoned to top.</p> 	<p><u>White oxford cloth shirt</u>, long or short sleeve. Collar must be buttoned to top. Shirts must be tucked at all times. This means that the belt must be clearly visible from the front.</p> 
Ties	<p><u>Plaid Crisscross Tie (Hunter/Classic Navy Plaid)</u></p> 	<p><u>Uniform tie</u> must be worn all school day.</p> 

Sweater (Optional)	Navy Blue Cardigan only (WOLCA logo optional) (No coats, jackets or hoodies worn in class)	Navy Blue Cardigan only (WOLCA logo opt.) (No Coats, jackets or hoodies worn in class)
Stockings/Socks	Navy Blue or white socks or tights.	Navy Blue or white socks.
Shoes	Black or dark brown dress shoes. Except for medical reasons, shoes must be below the anklebone and heels may not be more than 1” thick. No Boots.	Black or dark brown dress shoes. Except for medical reasons, shoes must be below the anklebone and heels may not be more than 1” thick. No boots.

The following WOLCA uniform guidelines are intended to create a comfortable learning environment free from distractions and social pressures:

- No sweatshirts (except for the official WOLCA sweatshirt worn over the official uniform)
- No coats, jackets or hoodies worn in class (only uniform cardigan or WOLCA sweatshirt over uniform)
- No ripped, torn, frayed, or opened seams on clothing.
- Tight***, baggy, or faded clothing is not acceptable. (**This includes the tight pencil leg pants that are currently in style for the young ladies!*)
- Long and short sleeves are to be worn without rolling up the sleeves.
- Optional white undershirts may not have any visible logos, lettering, or print.
- Due to safety, all shoes must be closed toe, closed heel, and not platform.
- All students are to wear uniforms that have been laundered and pressed, presenting a neat appearance at all times recognizing that their personal grooming is an aspect of personal development.
- Students are not to wear sunglasses, hats, caps, bandanas or distracting headbands in the school/church buildings, or have fad hair styles.

Physical Education: Only students in grades 5th and above wear official WOLCA PE uniforms for PE class. Purchase information for PE uniforms (e.g. www.arlington.educationaloutfitters.com) is available at Educational Outfitters. All students wear their regular school uniforms to school.

All students must wear tennis shoes on P.E. days. Girls must wear shorts or slacks under their dresses/skirts during PE (and shorts under their dresses/skirts during regular class time). Students dressing out for P.E. class wear regulation shorts, shirt, socks, and tennis shoes. WOLCA jogging outfits may be worn during PE class during the winter and can be purchased at **Educational Outfitters**. On Friday, gym clothes are to be taken home by each student to be laundered and returned on Monday.

Dress Code Violations: Obvious violation of the dress code ***will necessitate a student remaining in the office until the parents bring a change of clothing or take the student home until the dress code is met.*** Teachers should note violations of dress code standards and will provide counsel and warning as necessary for students. Areas of subjectivity are left to the discretion of the teachers and Administration. *Students bringing guests who do not attend this school should inform them of the dress expectations in our school environment. Anyone who is not dressed accordingly will be asked to leave.*

Summary: The WOLCA dress code is presented in detail so that our school families will have a clear understanding of the standards agreed to when students are enrolled in WOLCA. The intent of the standards is to **present a comfortable business casual instructional environment free from distractions and social pressures.** The school does not impose rules for students outside of school; rather the school recognizes parental authority and depends on parents to support the dress code by checking their children before school each day, encouraging older students to show responsibility and good judgment with their dress and personal grooming decisions, and monitoring the compliance to the uniform standards throughout the school year since the student may quickly outgrow uniforms.