

# Dress Code - Grades 1-12

## Northside Christian School

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### School Uniform Grades 1-6

- Girls: Basic Uniform
  - Plaid jumper (Educational Apparel – Plaid 57, Land’s End - Classic Navy Plaid) - choice of 2 styles of jumpers as listed in Educational Apparel online
  - Additional Option: Plaid skirt (5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade) - (Educational Apparel – Plaid 57, Land’s End - Classic Navy Plaid) - multiple styles available from school uniform line of retailers listed below – A-line or back pleats or “all around” pleats – must come to top of knee
  - Polo shirts (white, navy blue, light blue or yellow) or oxford (standard white or blue)
  - Navy Blue Chino trouser style Pants
  - Tights or Leggings with socks (white, navy, black or grey) under skirts (optional)
- Boys: Basic Uniform
  - Navy Blue Chino trouser style pants
  - Polo shirts (white, navy blue, light blue or yellow) or oxford (standard white or blue)
- Optional Items for Girls and Boys
  - Bermuda Style Long Khaki or Navy Blue School Uniform Shorts (Only when outside temperatures permit)
  - NCS Logo Sweatshirt from Educational Apparel
  - Logo wear purchased at NCS – ¼ zip, fleece jacket, hoodie, polos (Note: ¼ zip pullover and hoodies can be worn as a standalone top with a WHITE under shirt or T-shirt)
  - White turtlenecks
  - Sweater (choice of styles) – Navy Blue cardigan or pullover from school uniform line of acceptable retailers listed below.
- Shoes for Girls and Boys
  - Non-Marking Shoes Casual shoe that covers the entire foot, is below the ankle, with a heel that does not exceed 1 1/2”
  - Indoor athletic shoes /sneakers are permissible.
  - Sandals and flip-flops are not permitted.
- Pants styles and details NOT permitted:
  - Pants with colors or designs on pockets or legs
  - Capri or crop pants
  - Cargo style
  - Corduroy, Jeans, Denim or knit fabrics
  - Contrast stitching or rivets
  - Oversized pants (in length or width)
  - Oversized pockets
  - Pants with frayed hems
  - Tight fitting pants
  - Jeggings
  - Colors other than traditional khaki or navy blue

### School Uniform Grades 7-12

- Girls: Basic Uniform
  - Plaid skirt (Educational Apparel – Plaid 57, Land’s End - Classic Navy Plaid) - multiple styles available from school uniform line of retailers listed below - A-line or back pleats or “all around” pleats – must come to top of knee
  - Khaki or Navy Blue Chino Trouser style pants
  - Polo shirts (white, navy blue, light blue or yellow) or oxford (standard white or blue)
  - Tights or Leggings under skirts (optional)
- Boys: Basic Uniform
  - Navy Blue or Khaki Chino Trouser style pants Dark colored belt (brown, black, navy blue)
  - Polo shirt (white, navy blue, light blue or yellow) or Oxford shirt (standard white or blue) - should be tucked in except during physical activity
- Optional Items for Girls and Boys
  - Sweater (choice of styles) – Navy Blue cardigan or pullover from school uniform line of acceptable retailers listed below.
  - NCS Logo Sweatshirt from Educational Apparel
  - Zip-up Pullover Fleece - Navy with crest from Educational Apparel
  - Logo wear purchased at NCS – ¼ zip, fleece jacket, hoodie, polos (Note: ¼ zip pullover and hoodies can be worn as a standalone top with a WHITE or GRAY under shirt or T-shirt)
- Shoes for Girls and Boys
  - Non-marking casual shoe that covers the entire foot, is below the ankle, with a heel that does not exceed 1 1/2”
  - Indoor athletic shoes /sneakers are permissible.
  - Sandals and flip-flops are not permitted.
- Pants styles and details NOT permitted:
  - Pants with colors or designs on pockets or legs
  - Capri or crop pants
  - Cargo style
  - Corduroy, Jeans, Denim or knit fabrics
  - Contrast stitching or rivets
  - Oversized pants (in length or width)
  - Oversized pockets

- Pants with frayed hems
- Tight fitting pants
- Jeggings
- Colors other than traditional khaki or navy blue

## Acceptable Uniform Retailers

The following online stores have uniform assortments created specifically for Northside Christian School. Check out the Uniform page at [NCSLIONS.ORG](http://NCSLIONS.ORG) for links to the sites. The items on these pages are compatible with the uniform dress code delineated above:

- Educational Apparel Online
- Land's End Online

There are other retailers with acceptable items in their school uniform assortments. Our goal is to provide families with plenty of options for price, make and quality. We have reviewed the school uniform offerings from the retailers below. There are acceptable options from their assortments that are compatible with the guidelines listed above. Visit their websites and search for school uniforms:

- Educational Apparel
- Land's End
- Kohls
- JCPenney
- Old Navy
- Wal-Mart
- French Toast Brand (Costco, Meijer, etc.)

## General Guidelines – Uniform and Non-Uniform Dress

General dress code guidelines for uniforms, athletic event spectators, "casual dress" days, off-campus school activities, and other school sponsored events.

### Girls

- Skirts must come to the top of the knee when standing.
- No low-cut or tight-fitting tops.
- No excessive eye shadow, blush, or lipstick. (e.g. too bright, too dark).
- Jewelry should not be excessively large, distracting, inappropriate, or pose a danger.
- No extreme ear jewelry. No more than 2 earrings per ear.

### Boys

- Uniform shirts should always be tucked in. All but the top button is buttoned on shirt/tops, except when ties are worn, then shirts are to be buttoned to the top.
- Belts should always be worn with school uniform
- Hair should be off the collar and above the ears; No defined lines cut in the hair.
- All boys must be clean-shaven; side burns-not below the mid-ear.
- No necklaces or earrings.

### Both Girls and Boys

- Pants are to be in a good state of repair and should not have excessive holes or rips. Pants should not drag on the ground.
- No tight fitting or low riding pants or skirts.
- No nose jewelry (rings, studs, etc.)
- In grades 6–12, boots are permitted during cold weather months.
- Shorts for gym class, special activities or athletic practice should not be excessively short or tight.
- Hair should be neat, well groomed, clean, and of a natural color. No extreme hair styles are permitted.
- White turtlenecks may be worn under long-sleeved shirts, blouses, or tops.
- No inappropriately imprinted T-shirts, sweatshirts, or other garments.
- No tank tops
- Sports teams' jerseys or current team warm-up tops may be worn to school on game days together as a team during the season with permission of the administration or the Athletic Director.
- Outerwear (coats, jackets) and hats are only permitted for outside of the buildings.
- At this time, NCS Logo or class (e.g. Juniors, Seniors) items purchased from NCS are the only fleece jackets, hoodies or sweatshirts permitted during school day.
- Note: NOT all items containing a NCS logos are approved for school uniform dress. From time to time, uniform acceptable items and NCS logo items from custom logo wear websites (e.g. SquadLocker, Eastbay, etc.) may be added as acceptable for uniform dress during the school year. These will generally be limited to collared shirts, sweatshirts or outerwear. Updates will be provided as items are deemed acceptable. Please check with the NCS office about acceptability for uniform dress before making purchases.
- Varsity letter jackets are permitted.
- Hoods on sweatshirts or jackets should not be covering the head inside buildings.

Non-uniform dress is permitted at all NCS after-school events unless otherwise specified. Students who attend any school-sponsored event (e.g. home or away games) must comply with the general dress code guidelines as stated above.