



## PRIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL Uniform Policies and Procedures



Pride Elementary School has adopted a policy providing for a mandatory uniform dress code for all students. The mandatory policy begins on the first day of school each year. This uniform policy has been in effect since August 2000.

### UNIFORMS FOR OUR PROUD PRIDE LIONS

**SHIRTS:** White or maroon/burgundy polo style shirts with a collar (with or without school logo) are to be worn Monday through Thursday. Shirts with the school logo may be ordered from Lands' End at [www.landsend.com/school](http://www.landsend.com/school). When wearing the school uniform, no logo or writing other than the school logo is allowed. **Spirit T-Shirts and denim are only permitted to be worn on Fridays.** Denim must be uniform in color. Torn or bleach spotted denim is not allowed.

**PANTS/ SHORTS/SKIRTS/SKORTS or JUMPERS\*:** Khaki or Navy Blue

*\*Collared shirts are to be worn under jumpers.*

**SHOES:** Shoes must be securely fastened and have a low heel height. Footwear must be suitable for outdoor physical education classes and unsafe shoes such as "skate tennis shoes" are not allowed.

**WINTER WEAR:** Students may wear sweatshirts or sweaters – maroon/burgundy, white, or navy blue

#### **Exceptions**

- A student MAY wear a uniform of a nationally recognized youth organization, such as Boy Scouts or Girl Scouts, on regular meeting days.
- A student's parent or guardian has applied for and been granted an exemption from the uniform dress code.

#### **Exemptions and Procedures**

A student's parent may apply for his/her child or children to be exempt from the uniform dress code. A form for requesting exemption can be picked up in the front office and must be returned to the school principal.

#### **Financial Hardship**

A *Clothes Closet* with donated uniform items is available for students needing assistance due to financial hardship. Anyone needing assistance can contact our guidance counselor at 558-5400 ext. 227.

Parents may order uniforms online at [www.landsend.com/school](http://www.landsend.com/school). Uniform items may be also be found at a variety of stores including Target, Wal-Mart, J.C. Penney, Dillard's, Macy's, and Bealls.

Thank you for supporting our mandatory uniform policy. If you have any questions, please call us at 558-5400.

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### **BENEFITS OF UNIFORM**



Research strongly supports that a uniform dress code:

- Focuses the student on the learning process
- Provides a sense of pride and belonging
- Emphasizes education, not fashion
- Sets a tone of school family and school spirit
- Saves time and money in buying school clothes



In addition, students in uniform are easily identified by staff at school and school related activities. This allows our staff to easily identify visitors on our campus.