



# PARRISH CHARTER ACADEMY

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## DRESS CODE

Studies suggest that a higher standard of dress encourages students to behave more mannerly, have greater respect for one another and results in a higher standard of overall behavior. PCA's dress code guidelines indicate appropriate school dress for normal school days. The PCA Administration reserves the right to interpret these guidelines and after due process has been accorded, may make changes to these guidelines during the school year. Students are expected to follow these guidelines and every student **MUST** wear a school uniform.

*The PCA uniforms are ordered online at <https://www.pcaedu.org/>*

SHIRTS	<p>K – Grade 4 students <b>MUST</b> wear the short or long sleeve school polo shirt with the PCA logo in either blue, green, or grey on Monday – Thursday.</p> <p>Spirit shirts in blue, green, or grey may be worn on Friday.</p> <p>These are the only shirts permitted to be worn in school.</p> <p>Shirts are to be worn tucked in at all times. All undershirts <b>MUST</b> be solid in grey, navy blue, or white.</p>
SWEATSHIRTS	<p><b>ONLY</b> PCA spirit sweatshirts and fleeces will be worn inside the building in cooler temperatures. (available for purchase)</p> <p>K – Grade 4 will wear blue, green, or grey.</p> <p>Hoods are not to be worn on any student's head <b>on <u>campus</u> at any time before, during, or after school.</b></p> <p>Other sweaters and outer jackets, coats, hats, scarves, gloves, and mittens <u>must be removed upon entering the building.</u> In severe/cold weather, aforementioned clothing may be used during outdoor activities as deemed appropriate.</p>



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<p><b>BOTTOMS</b></p>	<p><u><b>BOYS</b></u> - ONLY uniform pants or shorts in Khaki, Black or Navy Blue are acceptable.</p> <p><u><b>GIRLS</b></u> – ONLY uniform pants, shorts, capri-pants, skirts, skorts, or jumpers in Khaki, Black or Navy Blue are acceptable.</p> <p>Garments must fit so they do not fall below the waistline. Hemlines must be no shorter than finger-tip length.</p> <p>The following are not permitted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Jeans, denim, stretch, spandex, cargo or decorated pants or shorts</li> <li>*Athletic/sport-style shorts, sweat/warm-up style pants</li> <li>*Tights or leggings in any color</li> <li>*NO frayed edges or holes of any kind.</li> </ul>
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<p><b>BELTS</b></p>	<p><u>All bottoms with belt loops require a solid color belt in blue, brown or black.</u></p>
<p><b>SHOES/ SOCKS</b></p>	<p>ONLY traditional tennis shoes with laces or Velcro closures are permitted. No boots, dress shoes, flats, heels, sandals or flip flops.</p> <p>Socks must be a solid in white, khaki/ brown, navy blue, or black.</p>
<p><b>PE ATTIRE</b></p>	<p>All students will participate in physical education. K-3 students are not required to dress out for PE instruction. However, students are required to wear sneakers daily. Footwear for physical education classes must be suitable for outdoor physical activities and unsafe shoes such as, “skate tennis shoes,” are not permitted.</p>

Any non-PCA attire being worn without permission will receive a verbal warning and said attire will be maintained in the main office and returned to the student at the end of the day. The administration will be the final judge concerning the appropriateness of a student’s clothing and appearance.

**Makeup:** Students in grades K-5<sup>th</sup> may not wear any makeup, not even lip-gloss. Students are permitted to have lip balm (chap-stick). K – 5 students wearing makeup will be sent to the restroom to remove it. If makeup is still not removed, students will be sent to administration.



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**Hair:** Hair must be neat and clean with no "unnatural" colors, i.e. fluorescent, bright green. No hats, bandanas or headbands may be worn. Essentially, no headwear except hair bows, hair bands, etc., for girls. If there is a question, please ask.

**Perfume & Cologne** (Health Concern): Boys and girls are not permitted to wear perfume or cologne, due to students and staff with allergies and asthma.

- **Boys and girls may not wear body piercings other than earrings or studs in their ear lobes, for safety purposes. Nose rings and other facial piercing are not permitted.**
- **Students are not permitted to wear anything offensive, immodest, or deemed inappropriate by the faculty.**
- **Clothing exposing the torso or the midriff, either front, back or sides, shall not be worn. Underwear shall not be visible.**
- **Clothing shall not expose the mid-chest area.**
- **Head coverings shall not be worn in the building unless required for religious observance or health-related reasons.**
- **Mini-skirts, mini-dresses and short shorts are not permitted.**
- **Garments and/or jewelry which display or suggest sexual, vulgar, drug, gang, weapons, or alcohol-related wording or graphics, or which provoke violence or disruption in the school, shall not be worn.**
- **Wallet chains shall not be worn. Large dangling earrings are not permitted for boys or girls**
- **All pants and shorts shall be secured at the waist.**

If the appropriateness of attire is questioned, students will be referred to the office and required to change, and the parent/guardian may be contacted. Disciplinary actions will be taken when violations are repeated.

The general appearance of a student should reflect neatness and good personal hygiene. Any student that violates the grooming and hygiene policy will be sent home. Students may return to school when their appearance is appropriate. Students should be showering 1-2 times per day and students in third through seventh grade should be using deodorant.

### **DRESS CODE VIOLATION CONSEQUENCES:**

Teachers will be checking for dress code compliance as each student enters the classroom. Students must be in the appropriate attire. Any student out of dress code will be required to change into the appropriate attire. A parent/guardian will be contacted to bring the appropriate clothing to school. Students are not permitted to attend class until they are wearing clothing as stipulated by the dress code. Continuous dress code violations will lead to a parent/guardian conference, suspension, or other administrative action.



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