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Eastwood Christian School Uniform Policy **Introduction**

Eastwood Christian School is a Christ-centered, classical school, committed to helping students think about every area of life from within a Christian worldview. One of the most public displays of a perspective saturated with biblical truth is in the clothes we wear. Our crest carries the Latin terms *veritas, vita, vocatio* for truth, life and calling. Our uniform code is designed to reflect certain trans-cultural, trans-temporal truths while still reflecting the lives of 21st century students living out their divine calling before a watching world. Like their five to six hours of academic rigor, their five to six hours of guided fashion are designed to help train their minds and draw out a thinking and decision-making process that will aid them throughout life. We are not just here to tell them “what not to wear” nor do we want to thwart their inner drive to reflect the unique person God created each of them to be. We do, however, recognize that just like sports teams and show choirs and marching bands, students engaged in the common pursuit of becoming educated men and women should outwardly express that common endeavor.

The following document provides a broad selection of acceptable clothing items as well as any necessary rules and prohibitions. Obviously, every possible contingency cannot be anticipated. The temptation is to lean heavily on the law and make a rule for every infraction. However, we resist that temptation and rely upon the power of the Holy Spirit to guide both parents and students toward our common goal of glorifying God by submitting to the spirit and not just the letter of this policy. For this reason we would like to speak more about modesty and humility and less about the number of buttons that must be buttoned or how high the skirt may be worn. Experience supports the scriptural concept that the law is necessary to point us to grace, so specific “laws” will be provided. Grace will be extended as students and parents are held accountable to uphold the covenant they signed. Parents and students should think prayerfully and seriously before signing the covenant promising to uphold the code.

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Notes for all male students:

1. Boys' Hair – These guidelines will ensure an atmosphere of professionalism.
 - Off the collar
 - Above eyebrows
 - Mid-ear – may cover half of the ear
 - No facial hair
2. Hair Policy Enforcement: It is our desire that parents and students self-manage the hair code. Should the administration issue a “Haircut Required Notice,” immediate action is expected with no appeals.
3. We request that you not wear the following in the building at anytime during the school day: sunglasses, hats or caps, key chains/lanyards, bandannas, scarves, or any visible jewelry except watches and rings.
4. All undershirts must be white and can only show at the collar. No writing or print should be seen through light-colored shirts.
5. Students should arrive at school fully dressed. Do not leave your car until every item (shoes, ties, shirttails, etc.) is in order. Students should remain in their uniform until they leave the building. They should not untie ties, etc. until they have departed the premises.
6. Please label all items of clothing.
7. “Warrior Wear” days allow students to wear any tee-shirt or sweatshirt which displays the Eastwood name or logo. The tee-shirt should be worn with long jeans or any uniform bottom and any approved uniform shoes or athletic shoes.
8. *Italicized items* must be purchased from Southern School Uniforms, 1721 Eastern Boulevard, 215-0000. All other clothing may be purchased elsewhere provided the difference is indiscernible to the casual observer.
9. All shirts purchased from Southern School Uniforms must be monogrammed. Lower School sweatshirts from Southern School Uniforms must also be monogrammed. All outerwear (sweaters, sweatshirts and fleeces) purchased from Southern School Uniforms must be either monogrammed or crested.

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Notes for all female students:

1. Hem-length – Eastwood skirts, skorts and jumpers are worn at the knee. Below, mid or top of the knee gives a nice range for growth, and parents should take growth into account when purchasing these items at the beginning of the year. If the hemline is one or more inches above the kneecap as seen from a distance of 5 feet, then the garment is too short and a uniform infraction notice will be sent home.
2. Shirts and blouses should be tucked in with the exception of the overblouse and banded options. The oxford shirts must be tucked in.
3. Buttons – Only the top button can be left unbuttoned on the cotton camp shirts, overblouses, peter pans and oxfords. No more than two buttons can be left unbuttoned on the knit shirts.
4. Accessories should complement the uniform and not draw undue attention to the wearer. This includes jewelry, hair accessories, nail polish, etc. The Board has discussed the issue of piercings and has determined that jewelry in piercings anywhere other than the ears is distracting and should not be seen at school.
5. Undergarments should not be visible through or hanging beneath uniform clothing.
6. We request that you not wear the following in the building at anytime during the school day: sunglasses, hats, bandannas, scarves, etc.
7. Please note the code calls for “tights” not “leggings” for upper school.
8. Students should arrive at school fully dressed. Do not leave your car until every item (shoes, ties, shirttails, etc.) is in order. Students should remain in their uniform until they leave the building.
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Kindergarten – Third Grade Girls

- Shirts: *Peter Pan blouse (ls/ss)*
White knit shirt (ls/ss)
White knit banded shirt (ls/ss)
Light blue knit banded shirt (ls/ss)
White turtleneck, plain not ribbed
- Jumper: *Plaid jumper*
Navy jumper
- Skort: *Plaid skort, either style*
- Pants: *Khaki pants* with belt; You may choose from any style carried at Southern School Uniforms.
- Socks / tights: (optional) White or navy tights or socks; Solid white or navy ankle length leggings without embellishments.
- Shoes / sandals: Girls' shoes and sandals must have a closed heel or backstrap, a 1 ½ inch or less heel; and they should fasten on or below the ankle. They may also wear athletic style shoes.
- Tennis Shoes: **Shoes are meant to be comfortable and compliment the uniform. Therefore, we are giving students freedom in choosing their shoes. However, the Administration maintains the right to deem inappropriate any shoe that they believe does not compliment the uniform. Parents may check with the Administration if they have questions about the appropriateness of a particular shoe style.**
- Outer wear: All outerwear should be either crested or monogrammed.
Navy or red cardigan sweater
Navy or red sweatshirt
ECS navy fleece
Non-uniform outerwear is not permitted in the classroom unless approved by the Administration due to inclement weather.
- Field Trips: *Red, monogrammed field trip tee-shirt*
The tee-shirt should be worn with long jeans or any uniform bottom and any uniform shoes or tennis shoes.

Kindergarten – Third Grade Boys

- Shirt: *Navy, monogrammed knit shirt (ls/ss)*
- Undershirts: White, short-sleeved tee shirt
White turtleneck
- Shorts: *Khaki shorts* with belt
- Pants: *Khaki pants* with belt
- Belt: Brown, leather-like belt (not required in K)
- Socks: (optional) Solid, white, black, tan or navy of any height
- Shoes: Leather-like, suede, or athletic style; closed-toe, closed-heel shoes.
- Tennis Shoes: **Shoes are meant to be comfortable and compliment the uniform. Therefore, we are giving students freedom in choosing their shoes. However, the Administration maintains the right to deem inappropriate any shoe that they believe does not compliment the uniform. Parents may check with the Administration if they have questions about the appropriateness of a particular shoe style.**
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Fourth - Sixth Grade Girls

- Shirts: *Peter Pan blouse (ls/ss)*
White stretch camp overblouse (ls/ss)
White knit shirt (ls/ss)
White knit banded shirt (ls/ss)
Light blue knit banded shirt (ls/ss)
White turtleneck, plain not ribbed
- Vest: *Navy vest (crest optional)*
- Jumper: *Plaid jumper*
Navy jumper
- Skort: *Plaid skort, style #148*
- Pants: *Khaki pants* with belt; You may choose from any style carried at Southern School Uniforms.
- Socks / tights: White or navy tights or socks; Solid white or navy ankle length leggings (optional) without embellishments.
- Shoes / sandals: Girls' shoes and sandals must have a closed heel or backstrap, a 1 ½ inch or less heel; and they should fasten on or below the ankle. They may also wear athletic style shoes.
- Tennis Shoes: **Shoes are meant to be comfortable and compliment the uniform. Therefore, we are giving students freedom in choosing their shoes. However, the Administration maintains the right to deem inappropriate any shoe that they believe does not compliment the uniform. Parents may check with the Administration if they have questions about the appropriateness of a particular shoe style.**
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ECS navy fleece
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Field Trips: *Red, monogrammed field trip tee-shirt.*

The tee-shirt should be worn with long jeans or any uniform bottom and any uniform shoes or tennis shoes.

Fourth – Sixth Grade Boys

Shirt: *Red, monogrammed knit shirt (ls/ss)*

Undershirts: White, short-sleeved tee-shirt

White turtleneck

Shorts: *Khaki shorts* with belt

Pants: *Khaki pants* with belt

Belt: Brown, leather-like belt

Socks: (optional) Solid, white, black, tan or navy of any height

Shoes: Leather-like, suede, or athletic style; closed-toe, closed-heel shoes.

Tennis Shoes: **Shoes are meant to be comfortable and compliment the uniform. Therefore, we are giving students freedom in choosing their shoes. However, the Administration maintains the right to deem inappropriate any shoe that they believe does not compliment the uniform. Parents may check with the Administration if they have questions about the appropriateness of a particular shoe style.**

Outer wear: All outerwear should be either crested or monogrammed.

Navy or red sweatshirt

ECS navy fleece

Jacket, Charles River style #8931(no embroidery)

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Field Trips: *Red, monogrammed field trip tee-shirt*

The tee-shirt should be worn with long jeans or any uniform bottom and any uniform shoes or tennis shoes.

Seventh - Ninth Grade Girls

- Shirts: *Peter Pan blouse (ls/ss)*
White knit shirt, regular or banded hemline (ls/ss)
Baby blue knit shirt, regular or banded hemline (ls/ss)
White stretch camp overblouse (ls/ss)
White oxford blouse (ls/ss)
Baby blue oxford blouse (ls/ss)
Lt. blue camp shirt; ¾ length sleeve
White turtleneck, plain not ribbed
- Vest: *Navy vest (crest and monogram optional)*
- Jumpers: *Gray knit jumper*
- Skirts: *Plaid skirt*
Khaki skirt
Long khaki skirt (2 styles)
- Skorts: *Plaid skort*
Navy skort
Khaki skort
(All upper school skorts must look like a skirt in the front and back.)
- Pants: *Khaki pants* with belt; any style carried at uniform store.
- Socks/tights (optional): White, navy or black tights or knee socks; nude hose
- Shoes / sandals: Girls' shoes and sandals must have a closed heel or backstrap, a 1 ½ inch or less heel; and they should fasten on or below the ankle. They may also wear athletic style shoes. **Shoes are meant to be comfortable and compliment the uniform. Therefore, we are giving students freedom in choosing their shoes. However, the Administration maintains the right to deem inappropriate any shoe that they believe does not compliment the uniform. Parents may check with the Administration**
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if they have questions about the appropriateness of a particular shoe style.

Outer wear: All outerwear should be either crested or monogrammed.
Navy or red cardigan sweater; Navy or red pull-over sweater; v-neck or crew ECS navy fleece, White or navy Pull-over Sweatshirt with hood. **Non-uniform outerwear is not permitted in the building unless approved by the Administration due to inclement weather.**

Seventh – Ninth Grade Boys

Shirt: *White monogrammed knit shirt (ls/ss)*

Navy monogrammed knit shirt (ls/ss)

Undershirts: White, short-sleeved tee-shirt

White turtleneck

Shorts: *Khaki shorts* with belt

Pants: *Khaki pants* with belt

Belt: Dark belt

Socks: (optional) Neutral, white or matching colors of any height.

Shoes: Leather-like, suede, or athletic style; closed-toe, closed-heel shoes. **Shoes are meant to be comfortable and compliment the uniform. Therefore, we are giving students freedom in choosing their shoes. However, the Administration maintains the right to deem inappropriate any shoe that they believe does not compliment the uniform. Parents may check with the Administration if they have questions about the appropriateness of a particular shoe style.**

Outerwear: All outerwear should be either crested or monogrammed.
Navy pull-over sweater (v-neck or crew); ECS navy fleece; Jacket, Charles River style #8931(no embroidery). White or navy Pull-over Sweatshirt with hood.

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Tenth - Twelfth Grade Girls

- Shirts: *Peter Pan blouse (ls/ss)*
White or Baby Blue knit shirt, regular or banded hemline (ls/ss)
White stretch camp overblouse (ls/ss)
White or Baby Blue oxford blouse (ls/ss)
Lt. blue camp shirt; ¾ length sleeve
Lt. blue seersucker overblouse (ls/ss)
White turtleneck, plain not ribbed
- Vest: *Navy vest (crest and monogram optional)*
- Jumpers: *Gray knit jumper*
- Skirts: *Plaid, Khaki, or Gray skirt*
Long khaki skirt (2 styles)
- Skorts: *Plaid skort*
Navy skort
Khaki skort
(All upper school skorts must look like a skirt in the front and back.)
- Pants: *Khaki pants* with belt; any style carried at uniform store
- Socks/tights (optional): White, navy or black tights or knee socks; nude hose
- Shoes / sandals: Girls' shoes and sandals must have a closed heel or backstrap, a 1 ½ inch or less heel; and they should fasten on or below the ankle. **Shoes are meant to be comfortable and compliment the uniform. Therefore, we are giving students freedom in choosing their shoes. However, the Administration maintains the right to deem inappropriate any shoe that they believe does not compliment the uniform. Parents may check with the Administration if they have questions about the appropriateness of a particular shoe style.**
- Athletic shoes: 10th -12th girls are not allowed to wear athletic shoes.
- Outer wear: All outerwear should be either crested or monogrammed.
*Navy or red cardigan sweater; Navy pull-over sweater (v-neck or crew); ECS navy fleece; White or navy Pull-over Sweatshirt with hood. **Non-uniform outerwear is not permitted in the building unless approved by the Administration due to inclement weather.***

Tenth – Twelfth Grade Boys

- Shirts: Light blue or white dress shirt
Yellow or French blue dress shirt (12th grade only)
- Tie: Ties are required. Color and design is left to your discretion.
- Undershirts: White, short-sleeved tee-shirt
- Pants: Khaki pants with belt
Gray dress slacks with belt
- Belt/suspenders: Dark belt; dark colored suspended
- Vests: Solid, navy blue v-neck vests (crest or monogram optional) Solid navy v-neck vests are available at Southern School Uniforms but may come from elsewhere if very similar.
- Socks: (optional) Neutral, white or matching colors of any height
- Shoes: Leather-like or suede; closed-toe, closed-heel shoes. **Shoes are meant to be comfortable and compliment the uniform. Therefore, we are giving students freedom in choosing their shoes. However, the Administration maintains the right to deem inappropriate any shoe that they believe does not compliment the uniform. Parents may check with the Administration if they have questions about the appropriateness of a particular shoe style.**
- Athletic shoes: 10th -12th boys are not allowed to wear athletic shoes.
- Outer wear: All outerwear except the blazers and Charles River jackets should be either crested or monogrammed.
Navy blazer; Navy, pull-over sweater (v-neck or crew); ECS navy fleece; Jacket, Charles River style #8931 . **Non-uniform outerwear is not permitted in the building unless approved by the Administration due to inclement weather.**