

DRESS AND APPEARANCE CODE

Lafayette Preparatory Academy students are required to wear uniforms daily unless otherwise specified by the Head of School. Specific uniform requirements are listed in the Lafayette Preparatory Family Handbook.

The following code establishes the standards believed necessary to enhance an appropriate academic atmosphere. While Lafayette Preparatory Academy does not dictate what is a suitable appearance outside the school setting, a student's appearance should be neat, clean and appropriate during the school day. Uniforms are to be worn daily, except on special occasions specified by the Head of School. A note from a student's parent/guardian must accompany the student if there is a reason for not wearing a uniform.

Uniforms should be clean, wrinkle-free and in good repair at all times.

UNIFORM GUIDELINES

Jumper:	solid navy or khaki red and blue plaid (purchased from "Famously Yours")
Pants:	solid navy or khaki flat front (no cargo)
Shorts:	solid navy or khaki flat front (no cargo)
Skort:	solid navy or khaki
Belt:	solid navy, red, black, or brown
Shirt:	solid navy or solid red knit polo-type, long- or short-sleeved either without logos or with LPA logo each student must have at least one red polo with LPA logo
Blouse:	can only be worn with the jumper solid white pointed, small-rounded or button down collar long or short-sleeved turtlenecks may be worn with the jumper in cold weather
Socks:	socks are required

solid navy, red, or khaki, tights or leggings may be worn
Sweatshirt: LPA sweatshirt or fleece – purchased through school
Sweater: solid navy or red
Shoes: close-toed, close-heeled, non-distracting shoes
durable, practical shoes in solid navy, black, brown, white or
gray
Accessories: must be small and non-distracting
hats may not be worn

MORE INFORMATION

Pants/Shorts/Jumpers

- All bottom wear must be worn at waist level.
- The length of shorts and jumpers shall be no shorter than the end of the student's fingertips when their arms are at their side.
- Students shall not roll up one or both legs of the pants.

Shoes

- Athletic shoes accepted and encouraged, predominantly one color (navy, black, brown, white or gray) – high top athletic shoes are acceptable.
- No "heelies" or "croc"

Belts

- Not required

Underclothes

- Only solid white underclothes are to be worn under blouses or shirts.

Jewelry

- Wearing jewelry is discouraged, as the school cannot be held responsible for its loss.
- Any piece of jewelry found to be distracting must be removed.
- No buttons or pins may be worn on uniforms, but may be placed on coats or book bags
- The following are permitted:
 - Watch
 - Earrings: small stud-type earrings (no larger than earlobe)

- For safety purposes no hoop or dangling earrings
- Necklace to be worn inside blouse or shirt
- One small ring

Religious Exemptions

This policy is not intended to substantially interfere with a student's bona fide religious beliefs. If a student wishes to seek an exemption to this policy based on religious belief, the student's parent or guardian should submit a written statement to the Head of School explaining the religious belief and how it is adversely affected by complying with the school uniform Dress and Appearance Code.

If the Head of School believes a religious exemption is appropriate based on the written statement, the principal may grant the exemption. If the Head of School has reason to believe that the student does not qualify for this exemption, the Head of School shall notify the board. The Board shall consider the request and possible denial by the Head of School and may seek legal advice. After consideration by the Board, the Head of School shall decide whether to allow the exemption.

During this review process, the student requesting an exemption will be permitted to remain in school and not be required to comply with the school uniform Dress and Appearance Code.

Personal Hygiene

- Hair must be kept clean, neatly groomed and out of eyes
- Hair style must not call undue attention to itself
- Student must maintain a level of hygiene that does not create a distraction to other students.

Non-Uniform items must be removed while in the school building.

Parents are encouraged to see that all uniform items are clearly labeled with child's name.

Parents are encouraged to have a spare uniform available at school, to be used in the event student needs a change of clothes.

If the purchasing of uniforms presents major hardship for your family, please contact the Main Office for more information for support available.