Grymes Memorial School Uniform Dress Code

Grymes seeks to encourage good habits of mind, body, and spirit. As a place of preparation for professional work, school is a serious endeavor, and student dress should reflect the importance of work at school and respect for our community. Children who are well dressed tend to feel more self-confident and do better in school.

In addition, school uniforms bring many benefits. We believe that a uniform dress code helps to reduce comparisons, distractions, and peer pressure related to clothing, and, in this way, helps students give their full attention to class lessons and assignments. Further, a uniform fosters a culture of school pride and cohesion.

Clothing should be neat, clean, modest, and in good repair. The fit should be proper, neither too tight nor too loose. Parents should make sure that their children are appropriately dressed when they leave home in the morning. It is the responsibility of the homeroom teacher, as well as other faculty members, to enforce the dress code and take the appropriate action, such as notifying parents, finding alternate clothing items, or informing the administration, if there is a violation. Chronic offenders of the dress code may be sent to the office where parents will be contacted if necessary. All determinations about dress code violations and consequences are subject to the discretion of the administration.

Grymes has intentionally designed a uniform dress code that gives students and families flexibility in fit, color, material, and suppliers. We have curated a wide variety of options on our school's Lands' End website. Items purchased from our personalized site will meet the requirements of the dress code.

Junior Kindergarten through 8th Grade Uniform Dress Code Requirements:

- All students **must purchase one red polo shirt (short sleeve or shirt dress) with the Grymes seal** from the school's Lands' End website or The Locker Room (school store).
- **All red** polo shirts and shirt dresses **with the Grymes seal** and the plaid skirts/skorts must be purchased from the school's Lands' End website or The Locker Room (school store).
- For all other clothing, students may wear items purchased from alternate suppliers as long as they are in the same visual style and colors as those that appear on the school's Lands' End website.

Regular School Day Attire

- Polo shirts (short or long sleeves) and shirt dresses:
  - Colors: solid white, gray, navy, and red
- Shorts, pants, and skirts:
  - Colors: khaki, navy, and plaid (skirts/skorts only)
  - Plaid skirts/skorts (see requirements above)
  - No denim, cargo pants, or joggers.
- Layering options:
  - Colors: solid white, gray, navy, and red
  - Fleeces, sweaters without hoods, quarter zips, vests, leggings, and tights
- Socks:
  - Colors: solid white, gray, navy, black, and red
- Shoes:
  - Tennis shoes, sandals with backs, loafers, rubber-soled shoes, dress shoes without heels
  - All shoes must be appropriate for indoor or outdoor PE class activities.

Special Occasion Attire

- Long pants, khakis, dress pants, dresses, and skirts
  - No denim, cargo pants, or joggers
- Oxford shirts, dress shirts, and blouses
- Sweaters, sports coats, and blazers
- Bucks, loafers, and dress shoes
- Ties (on certain occasions)

Friday Dress Down

- Jean pants
- Grymes spirit wear, including T-shirts and sweatshirts

Regular School Day Attire applies if not participating