



Student Uniform and Dress Code

2016-2017

At Bethany Lutheran School we desire to have students dress in a way that is proper, modest and respectful. In order to accomplish these goals, Bethany has adopted a student uniform policy.

Students should wear clean clothing, in good condition, and appropriately sized. All clothing must be hemmed, not frayed, and without holes.

All shirts, blouses, and turtlenecks must be tucked in (this is encouraged in grades K-2 and enforced in grades 3-8).

Pants/shorts/skirts must be worn at the waist. If not, a belt is required. Belts must have buckles and be a solid neutral color. No ropes, chains, hooks, suspenders, or items hanging from the student are permitted.

The following ARE NOT permitted as part of the school uniform:

- * Sweatshirts, sweatpants, and warm-ups.
- * Outdoor clothing (sunglasses, jackets, hats, etc.)
- * Pants that touch the floor.
- * Visible tattoos or markings on the skin. May be covered if needed.
- * Excessive make-up.
- * Extreme haircuts or hair color.
- * Earrings for boys.
- * Body piercing (except earrings for girls).
- * Extremes in personal grooming or dress.

Hair accessories and modest jewelry may be worn. Any personal decorations that become a distraction in the classroom will be removed to the student's backpack or locker.

Non-compliance with the student uniform policy will not be permitted.

During each quarter of school, uniform violations will be handled as follows:

1st violation – Note sent home to be signed by parent

2nd violation – Note sent home to be signed by parent.

Student loses the privilege of the next free dress day.

3rd violation and beyond – Parents will be contacted. Student will be held in the office until proper attire is worn (either brought from home or from the uniform exchange).

UNIFORM SPECIFICATIONS

SHIRTS:

- Long sleeve or short sleeve Oxford button-down dress shirts. Solid colors only.
- Long sleeve or short sleeve Polo shirt. Solid colors only.
- Long sleeve turtlenecks. Solid colors only.
- Shirts may not have any logos, lettering, trim or colored edging.*

*Exception – polo shirts with the Bethany logo may be worn at any time.

SWEATERS:

- Must be one solid color. No collars or hoods.
- Sweaters may be crew neck or v-neck.
- Sweaters may be pullover or cardigan.
- Sweater vests are permitted.
- Sweaters may only be worn over a polo, blouse, oxford shirt, or turtleneck.
- Sweaters may not have any logos, lettering, trim or colored edging.

PANTS:

- Solid navy, black, gray or khaki uniform pants.
- No colored trim, lettering or cargo pockets are permitted.

WALKING SHORTS:

- Solid navy, black, gray or khaki uniform shorts.
- Shorts may be worn anytime during the year when the weather is appropriate.
- Shorts must be appropriate length for school.
- No colored trim, lettering or cargo pockets are permitted.

UNDERGARMENTS:

- Must not show any color through the shirt or blouse.
- The sleeves of the blouse or shirt must cover the sleeves of the undergarment.
- Shirts and blouses must remain buttoned up over the undergarment.

SHOES:

- Students should wear appropriate footwear. Boots and croc-style shoes are not allowed as part of the school uniform.
- Shoes must stay securely on feet with heels not exceeding 2" in height.
- Shoes must have heels and toes enclosed.
- Socks must be worn with shoes.
- If dress shoes are worn, athletic shoes are needed for recess and P.E. During the winter snow boots may be worn to school if other shoes are changed into for use during the school day.

SCOUT UNIFORMS

- Scout uniforms may be worn on scout meeting days. Scout sweatshirts and sweatpants are not permitted.

P.E. CLOTHING

- Students in grades 5 and up wear a P.E. uniform purchased through the school.

GAME DAY ATTIRE

- Students participating in Bethany's sports program may dress up for school on game days (game that evening or the following morning). The following guidelines should be followed:
- Girls:
 - A dress, skirt or nice pants are appropriate. No shorts. No denim jeans.
 - Skirts/dresses must be at least fingertip length (when standing with arms at sides)
 - Spaghetti straps should be covered with a sweater
 - No flip flops please.
- Boys:
 - A dress shirt and dress pants are appropriate. A tie is encouraged with the dress shirt.
 - Sweaters and other nice tops are fine as well. No shorts. No denim jeans.

Anyone wearing boots or dress shoes for game-day dress up should please bring tennis shoes/socks to use for recess/PE.

FIELD TRIP ATTIRE

- Students on field trips should wear their regular school uniform or Bethany Lutheran School Spirit Wear. Spirit Wear is any T-shirt, sweatshirt or polo with Bethany's name/logo/design on it. Spirit Wear is sold annually by the school. Teachers designate the clothing appropriate for each field trip.

ADDITIONAL GUIDELINES FOR GIRLS:

HOSIERY:

- Neutral/solid colors only.
- No fishnet or sculptured hose.

TIGHTS AND LEGGINGS:

- Solid colors only.

BLOUSES:

- Solid colors only.
- Oxford style with a button down collar or a Peter Pan style collar.
- Sleeveless blouses are not permitted.
- Blouses may not have any logos, lettering, trim or colored edging.

SKIRTS/JUMPERS/POLO DRESSES:

- Skirts/skorts/jumpers must be solid navy, black, gray or khaki. Plaid patterns must be Land's End Burgundy/Gray Plaid or Land's End Hunter/Classic Navy Plaid.
- Hems should be an appropriate length for school. Must extend past fingertips.
- Shorts worn under the skirt or jumper may not be visible.
- Polo-style dress may be any solid color. No logos, lettering, trim or colored edging.

Uniform Exchange

A school uniform exchange is available and is coordinated by the Parent-Teacher League. Parents can bring out-grown uniforms in good condition to share and/or trade. No fees are charged.

Free Dress Day

The following guidelines apply to Free Dress Days:

- Shorts and skirts must be appropriate length for school (past fingertip length)
- No spaghetti straps, flip flops, Crocs, or pajama pants.
- Pants must be worn at the waist.
- Undergarments must not be visible.
- Boots may be worn on free dress days. Athletic shoes for recess/P.E. must be brought for use during those times.
- Outdoor gear (coats, hats, sunglasses, etc.) is not to be worn inside.
- All clothing must be appropriate for a Christian school environment.

All attire will be subject to the approval of the principal.