

# Sanderling Waldorf School Dress Code

The school environment is one where we wish to encourage and nurture reverence for what is noble, true and beautiful. In order to create a suitable environment for learning, we try to surround the children with living images rather than movie or cartoon characters. We strive to create a working and learning environment that is as free as possible from distracting influences, and attempt to find a middle path between uniforms on the one hand and extreme styles on the other. We acknowledge that clothing appropriateness is a family decision, and yet we seek to partner with families in order to support the school's impulse to receive the children in reverence, educate them in love and let them go forth in freedom. To that end, we suggest the following guidelines when selecting dress for your children at school. If issues arise with the dress of an individual student, teachers may contact the parents in order to express the concerns and to seek solutions for the good of the community.

Clothing, backpacks, lunch boxes, shoes and accessories should be practical and conducive to the work and activities of the school.

- 🎬 Clothing should be well-fitted, non-distracting, and weather appropriate.
- 🎬 Hats should not be worn indoors
- 🎬 Shoes should be safe, sturdy, flexible, firmly attached to the feet, and suitable for running, climbing and all outdoor play.
- 🎬 Jewelry should be limited, discreet and should not interfere with school activities.
- 🎬 Students should have a neat and clean appearance.
- 🎬 Discreet make-up should only be worn by individuals in grades 7 and 8.

These guidelines may not cover all situations in which dress or appearance is an issue. Teachers may feel they need to discuss particular attire with a student and his/her parents. Please feel free to contact your child's teacher about specific articles of clothing or related concerns.

## Assembly Attire

The Grades classes hold regular assemblies at which classes share work or seasonal themes.

For Annual Grades' assemblies prior to Winter Break, and the End of the School year, May Faire, and most other public events we ask that you please have your child/children dress in assembly attire:

- White collared shirt is preferred for boys /White blouse for girls
- Khaki/tan (*not black or blue*) pants or skirts.

## Strings Recitals

- White collared shirt is preferred for boys /White blouse for girls
- Black pants or skirts.