



# Ashbrook Independent School Dress Code



**Students attending Ashbrook Independent School are required to wear dress code in all grades, M-Th.**

The primary objective of the dress code is to give priority to development of the inner self over the outer self. Ashbrook Independent School strives to reduce distractions from classroom instruction and students' ability to participate fully in academic activities. The dress code is established in order to eliminate competition, be cost effective, foster a mind-set that students are at school to learn, create school pride, and be efficient to monitor. ***The administration has final say on dress appropriateness. The dress code is strictly enforced. Check with the office if you are uncertain about your uniform selections.***

## **Land's End:**

Our uniform provider is Land's End but you are welcome to shop in uniform sections at a local retail store.

## **Enforcement Procedures:**

When students have a dress code violation, our goal is to get them back to class as soon as possible. Therefore, if the item can be removed (like a sweatshirt), we will ask the student to remove it and allow them to return to class.

- There may be occasions we can offer the student "extra" AIS clothing to wear. If we have it available, we will allow the student to change into the extra clothing. **Please be aware, this is a courtesy provided by the school, and may not be available at all times.**
- It is important to note that if the student were to return to their regular schedule out of dress code, other students may be misled as to what is acceptable dress. It has happened on several occasions over the years; therefore, we will require students to wait in the office until the uniform violation is resolved.
- If dress code violations become a recurring problem for your student, parent contact will be made to discuss the issue.

**General Standards:** Neat, clean and modest are the base guidelines to follow.

- All clothing should be modest and not tight-fitting, see-through, or low-cut (bare midriffs are not allowed).
- Shirts/Tank tops must cover a minimum of 2" on the shoulder (spaghetti straps are not allowed).
- Clothing must be clean and in good condition without holes and/or rips.
- Baggy pants are not allowed. Pants must fit properly around the waist.
- Jewelry and accessories should not include chains, studs, or anything that supports or promotes drugs, alcohol, violence, racism, sexism, etc.
- Hats must be forward facing and may only be worn outside of the building.
- Sunglasses (except for medical purposes) may only be worn outside of the building.
- Extreme make-up, jewelry, hair styles and colors are not allowed.
- Any dyed hair must be a natural color.
- Body piercings other than earrings are not to be worn.
- Tattoos, permanent or temporary, may not be viewable.
- Tights may be any color of choice.
- Socks may be any color of choice.
- No ponchos, wraps, head scarfs, skull caps, or do-rags are allowed (except for medical or religious purposes).
- Belts must be worn inside belt loops and be appropriate length.
- Shoes must be worn at all times.
- Tennis shoes must be worn for PE. No slipper style footwear is permitted.

## **Friday SPIRIT Day:**

- Students are encouraged to wear Ashbrook "event" wear on Fridays to show their school spirit.
- All students may wear either uniform clothing or clothing of their choice which complies with **general standards** of good taste and modesty.
- Denim is allowed.

**Ashbrook Event Wear:** Event wear (play, cross country, OMSI, chess club, etc.) can only be worn on the day of the event and Fridays.

## **Special Dress:**

- Students will be given guidelines if specific clothing is requested (i.e. field trips, concerts, plays, etc.)
- Unless prior approval is given, **general standards** of good taste and modesty apply.

### 2017-2018 Approved Dress Code Colors

#### Tops:

- Navy Blue (PS-8<sup>th</sup>)
- White (PS-8<sup>th</sup>)
- Any Solid Color (5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>)

**Material:** Cotton or interlock knit, Dry-Fit.

#### Bottoms:

- Navy Blue (PS-8<sup>th</sup>)
- Khaki (PS-8<sup>th</sup>)
- Clear Blue Plaid (From Land's End) (PS-8<sup>th</sup>)

**Material:** Dress slacks, corduroy, twill, pleated, flat front, straight leg, fitted at waist, sized appropriately.

### 2018-2019 Approved Dress Code Colors

#### Tops:

- Navy Blue (PS-8<sup>th</sup>)
- White (PS-8<sup>th</sup>)
- Light Grey (5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>)
- Light Blue (5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>)
- Cobalt Blue (5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>)

**Material:** Cotton or interlock knit, Dry-Fit.

#### Bottoms:

- Navy Blue (PS-8<sup>th</sup>)
- Khaki (PS-8<sup>th</sup>)
- Clear Blue Plaid (From Land's End) (PS-8<sup>th</sup>)

**Material:** Dress slacks, corduroy, twill, pleated, flat front, straight leg, fitted at waist, sized appropriately.

### Polos/Blouses/Turtlenecks/Sweaters

- **Polos** must be in approved uniform colors. One pocket in the same color as the polo is acceptable. Long and short sleeves, polo or peter pan collar, cap sleeves, and button pockets are allowed.
- **Turtlenecks** and mock turtlenecks are allowed in any approved uniform color.
- **Oxford shirts** must be in approved uniform colors, a button down style and have a collar. They must also be tucked in.
- **Blouses** must be in uniform color. Long sleeved or short sleeved polo or peter Pan blouse with a collar. Bras must not be visible through the blouse. A camisole may be necessary.
- **Sweaters** must be in approved uniform color. Sweaters that have more than one color in the stitching or fabric are NOT permitted. Cable knit or ribbed patterns are acceptable. Zippers, and pullovers are allowed. V-neck styles may be pullover, cardigan, or vest in style. **Must be a traditional uniform sweater.**

Midriffs should not be exposed when arms are raised. When shirts are un-tucked, they cannot be any longer than the back pocket or shorter than below the belt loop.

#### Shoes

- Closed-toed shoes are required and must be fastened around the foot. Close-toe sandals with back heel straps that fit securely are allowed (no flip-flops).

#### Outerwear

- Sweatshirts and fleece with and without hoods, zip up or vest, jackets, and coats are considered outerwear.
- Outerwear must be removed in the classroom. It is meant to be worn while students are outside only.
- No objectionable words or pictures are permitted.

### Pants/Shorts/Skirts/Skort/Jumpers/Dresses

*No denim, jean, or stretch material. No low rise, or flare bottoms.*

- **Pants** can be traditional/classic fit, twill, corduroy, pleated, or flat front, or straight legged. Back pockets are permitted. Capri pants may be worn. Pants must be worn at the waist, not at the hips. No denim, leggings/jeggings, fitness/yoga pants.
- **Shorts** may be the same material and color as pants. Shorts may be no more than 2 inches above the kneecap.
- **Skirts/Skort/Jumpers/Polo Dresses** must be the same material and color as pants and must be no more than 2 inches above the top of the kneecap (Polo dresses may be knit material). May not be form fitting. Shorts/leggings are encouraged to be worn underneath for outside play and PE.

#### PE Clothes M-F

- PS-4<sup>th</sup>: Students change only their shoes which must be sports shoes with non-floor marking soles. Shoes are kept at school.
- 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>: Students should change into specific PE clothing: t-shirt, sport shorts, fitness/yoga pants, socks, non-floor marking sports shoes. Tank tops and short shorts are not allowed.

#### Common Definitions

- **Tight-Fitting:** Any article of clothing that restricts movement or emphasizes bodily curves.
- **Excessive Bagginess:** Anything that is oversized and not appropriately fitted, sags, or will not stay up.
- **Traditional Fit:** Classic style, straight legs, fits at waist.

#### Example of Styles:

