

## **UNIFORM CLOTHING and APPEARANCE**

The uniform requirements apply to those students in Kindergarten through 8th Grade. Dress uniform is required the first Wednesday of every month and at other times when announced, **beginning September 6<sup>th</sup> , the first day of school.**

**The spirit of the dress code is as important as its letter.** Our philosophy is that appearance should not detract from learning. Clothing is not to have any competitive aspect or make obvious socio-economic differences between our students.

Items can be purchased from a uniform supplier such as York Uniforms or Lands End. Used items or PE clothing may be purchased from the Osprey Nest. Please consider this an important resource to keep shirt- tails the length that can be tucked in at all times!

### **GIRLS:**

Hair and general appearance will be neat, tidy and unadorned. Hair length is to be manageable and non-distracting to the student or class. Students who play on CA athletic teams should also see guidelines for uniforms and hair in the athletic section on page 49.

**Grades K-4** Hunter plaid jumper or khaki pants or shorts (see below), with a neutral belt; polo shirt or turtleneck in white, red, navy or white Peter Pan collar blouse (long or short sleeve); navy crew neck cardigan (optional); Chesapeake Academy sweatshirt (optional); navy or white socks or tights. Black or navy leggings or any color shorts may be worn under jumper. Leggings must go down to the ankle. Long sleeve red, white, navy plain shirts or CA gray or white PE shirt may be worn under polo.

**Grades K-4, DRESS UNIFORM** Hunter plaid jumper, white Peter Pan collar blouse (long or short sleeve); navy crew neck cardigan; neutral color shoes (see page 22), white or navy socks, or tights.

**Grades 5-8** Hunter plaid kilt or khaki pants or shorts (see below), with a neutral belt; polo shirt or turtleneck in white, red or navy or white oxford button-down collar shirt (short or long sleeve); Chesapeake Academy sweatshirt (optional); white or navy socks, or tights. Black or navy leggings or any color shorts may be worn under kilt. Leggings must go down to the ankle. Long sleeve red, white, navy plain shirts or CA gray or white PE shirt may be worn under polo.

**Grades 5-8 DRESS UNIFORM** Hunter plaid kilt; white oxford button-down collar shirt (short or long sleeve), navy blazer; neutral color shoes, white or navy socks or tights, or neutral hose.

### **BOYS:**

Hair and general appearance is to be neat, tidy and unadorned. Hair length is to be above the collar and out of the eyes. Students who play on CA athletic teams should also see guidelines for uniforms and hair in the athletic handbook on page 45.

**Grades K-4** Khaki pants or shorts, neutral belt; polo shirt or turtleneck in white, red or navy or white oxford button-down collar shirt (short or long sleeve). Chesapeake Academy sweatshirt (optional); white or navy socks. Long sleeve red, white or navy plain shirts or CA gray or white PE shirt may be worn under polos.

**Grades K-4 DRESS UNIFORM** - Khaki pants, neutral belt; white oxford button-down collar shirt (long or short sleeve), navy pullover crew neck sweater, neutral color shoes (see page 22), dark socks.

**Grades 5-8** Khaki pants or shorts, neutral belt; polo shirt or turtleneck in white, red, or navy or white oxford button-down collar shirt; Chesapeake Academy sweatshirt (optional); white or navy socks. Long sleeve red, white or navy plain shirts or CA gray or white PE shirt may be worn under polos.

**Grades 5-8 DRESS UNIFORM** - Khaki pants, neutral belt; white oxford button-down collar shirt (short or long sleeves); navy blazer; Hunter plaid tie, neutral color shoes, dark socks.

**PE Uniform for boys & girls grades 5 - 8** Navy blue CA athletic shorts, white or gray CA t-shirt, athletic shoes. (*Grade 4 students must have the PE uniform for the 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> soccer play day in the fall and the 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> basketball play day in the winter. Grade 3 and 4 students are encouraged, but not required, to have a PE uniform for regular PE classes*).

#### **ADDITIONAL UNIFORM NOTES:**

- Uniform shirts may have the CA logo, but may not show any other brand logo. Shirrtails must be tucked in at all times.
- Uniform sweaters must be unadorned knit (no cable stitch).
- Only CA logowear sweatshirts may be worn.
- Painter's pants, cargo pants, or pants with jean styling are not permitted.
- Shorts/skortis must be Bermuda length and may be worn until Thanksgiving and from the first day of Spring.

#### **Skirt lengths:**

- Nearly to the knee

#### **Shoes:**

- All shoes must be closed toe.
- Athletic shoes are required for PE.
- Canvas shoes or other athletic shoes in white, off-white, navy, gray, black or brown may be worn for every day wear with the dress uniform on Wednesdays on campus only.
- Neutral color leather dress shoes are acceptable any time but are required for special occasion dress uniform days.

#### **Accessories:**

- Bracelets, earrings, and other accessories must be in keeping with the style of the uniform and should not detract from the uniform or distract student(s).

*Please mark all school items with the child's name.*

#### **Tag Day:**

Tag Day attire is non-uniform, but acceptable "nice school clothing", (i.e. standard looking clothing which is in good repair and fits the stature of the student). Lengths of skirts/dresses and shorts must be in keeping with the length of comparable uniform items. Tag Day is the last Wednesday in the month. Students must contribute 50 cents to the Student Council community service projects to be in non-uniform dress for the day.