



# UNIFORM DRESS CODE

## 2011 - 2012

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The purpose of a dress code is to set guidelines to ensure a neat and modest appearance that will serve us in representing our Lord, our family and our school well. When we dress modestly, we encourage each other toward a high standard.

We believe that training in modesty should start when children are young, and continue throughout the teen years when issues of sexuality must be discussed and understood from a biblical perspective of purity.

Another purpose for a dress code is the issue of appropriate apparel for an academic environment. We recognize that there is an increased attitude of respect and honor toward the process of learning and being taught when we dress in a more formal way. We show teachers respect, and we show other students respect when we are neatly, modestly and professionally dressed.

Dress code will be enforced the first day of school.

### Teachers and Parents

The guideline for staff dress at ICS is business casual. Adults must dress neatly and modestly to reflect Christian character and professionalism. Jeans are only permitted on dress down days and E-Zone days.

For men, this means dress or polo shirts and Docker-style pants or dress slacks. Shoes should be either dress or leather casual. If men have earrings, they may not be worn on campus.

For women, appropriate wear includes dresses, blouse and skirt combinations, blouse and dress slacks combinations and pantsuits. Shoes should be either dress or leather casual. Dress sandals are fine.

The following guidelines should be followed any time teachers and parents are on campus as well as at any ICS function.

- Ladies must take special care to avoid low necklines, short skirts and tight shirts or pants.
- Hem lines for shorts or skirts must not exceed 3 inches above the knee. Short skirts with leggings underneath are not appropriate.
- Dresses, blouses and tops can be sleeveless but must be at least 3 inches wide at the shoulder and cover undergarments.
- Adults may wear backless shoes; however, Crocs and sport sandals are only allowed on dress down days.
- T-shirts and jeans are allowed on dress down days and E-Zone days only.

### Male Students

- Boys may choose from polo or oxford style shirts.
- Oxford shirts and polo shirts may be **any solid color**. Stripes, plaids or printed shirts or pants are not allowed.
- Any shirt worn under the uniform shirt must be one solid color with no writing or designs on it.
- Socks should be one solid color and should not come up above the knee cap.
- All shirts, sweaters and vests must be monogrammed with the ICS school logo by an ICS approved uniform vendor. No other logo or brand is allowed on monogrammed items.
- Any outerwear worn on campus must be a completely solid color and have an ICS logo. Uniform shirts must be worn under outerwear. ICS letter jackets are acceptable, but should be worn by the athletes they were awarded to.
- Shorts and slacks must be **khaki, navy, brown or black** and can be purchased through the uniform companies or at the store of your choice. The colors cream and green are not considered khaki and should not be worn. Shorts or slacks must be a completely solid color, with no patterns, and they must have a zipper and waistband. Embellishments and designs are not permitted, even on pockets.
- Shorts and slacks are not to be excessively baggy or tight and should not be frayed. Cargo style is permissible. No portion of underwear is to be showing at any time.

- No jeans, denim, corduroy, sweat pants or nylon pants.
- No earrings or other excessive jewelry is allowed.
- Hats, sunglasses, and scarves may not be worn inside the building.
- Shoes must be closed or have a strap at the heel; however, Crocs and sport sandals are not allowed.
- Hair must be clean, presentable, and non-distracting (no mohawks or dreadlocks). Specifically, it must be cut above the eyebrows and not extend below the ear lobe or below the collar. Hair color must be a natural color.
- With the exception of seniors, no facial hair is permitted.
- No body art or tattoos, temporary or permanent, are allowed.
- Each dress code violation will result in the loss of dress down days for one month, and parents will be contacted to bring the appropriate attire for that day.
- These guidelines should be followed any time students are on campus, and students should be dressed modestly and appropriately at any ICS function.

### Female Students

- Girls may choose from polo, oxford or Peter Pan style blouses.
- Oxford shirts, Peter Pan blouses, and polo shirts may be **any solid color**. Stripes, plaids or printed shirts, skirts or pants are not allowed.
- Any shirt worn under the uniform shirt must be one solid color with no writing or designs on it.
- Socks and tights should be a solid color, and socks should not come up above the knee cap.
- All shirts, sweaters, jumpers, polo dresses, and vests must be monogrammed with the ICS school logo by an ICS approved uniform vendor. Tops should fit adequately so they do not appear tight.
- Any outerwear worn on campus must be one completely solid color and have an ICS logo. ICS letter jackets are acceptable, but should be worn by the athletes they were awarded to.
- Slacks, shorts, skirts, skorts or jumpers must be **khaki, navy, brown or black** and may be purchased through uniform companies or at the store of your choice. The colors cream and green are not considered khaki and should not be worn. Slacks, shorts, skirts, skorts, polo dresses and jumpers must be one completely solid color, with no patterns, and all but dresses and jumpers must have a zipper or waistband. Embellishments and designs are not permitted, even on pockets.
- Hem lines for shorts, skirts, or skorts must not exceed three inches above the knee and must not be frayed. Slacks must be casual/dress slacks with zipper and waistband, not stretch-type knit or tight fitting. Capri-length slacks, excluding gauchos, are allowed as long as they are not stretch capris or tight fitting.
- No jeans, denim, corduroy, sweat pants, nylon pants, or leggings under skirts.
- Shoes must be closed or have a strap at the heel; however, Crocs and sport sandals are not allowed.
- Hats, sunglasses, and scarves may not be worn inside the building.
- Hair must be clean, presentable, and non-distracting. It must be out of the eyes and off the face. Hair color must be a natural color.
- No body art or tattoos, temporary or permanent, are allowed.
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## **Dress Down Day**

Typically, **the last Thursday of every month** is designated as a dress down day. Please consult the Community Calendar for each month's dress down day. On these days, students have the option to dress casually, including wearing jeans and T-shirts. Please adhere to the following dress code rules:

- No offensive material on any piece of clothing (including gothic apparel or jewelry).
- Shirts must have sleeves; no tank tops or spaghetti straps.
- Modest and appropriate is the goal (no see-through material, no midriff or underwear showing).
- Skirts, skorts and shorts must be no higher than 3 inches above the knee, even if leggings are worn under a skirt.
- Shoes must be closed or have a strap at the heel; however, Crocs and sport sandals are not allowed.
- No low necklines or tight fitting tops or pants.
- No cut-off or frays.
- Hats and sunglasses may not be worn inside the building.

All dress down rules apply to picture days, which are usually scheduled on dress down days. However, most students dress up for individual pictures. T-shirts are not allowed on picture days.

## **Uniform Vendors**

Shirts may be purchased through any of the following companies. Remember to tell the company that you are with International Community School so that our logo can be put on the shirt. If you order through Land's End, please provide the representative with the following number: **Preferred School # 900062118**. The ICS school code for Educational Outfitters is **FL0135** (FL must be capitalized and "0" is zero.)

### **Land's End**

1-800-469-2222

[www.landsend.com/school](http://www.landsend.com/school)

*Please note that there will be an additional fee added to your Land's End invoice for each item monogrammed.*

### **Embroidery Solutions**

(407) 438-8188

6457 Hazeltine Nat'l. Drive Suite 120

Orlando, FL 32822

[www.embroiderysolutions.net](http://www.embroiderysolutions.net)

### **Educational Outfitters**

(407) 897-5363

3845 E. Colonial Drive

Orlando, FL 32803

[www.educationaloutfitters.com](http://www.educationaloutfitters.com)

### **Rose Custom Creations**

(407) 468-4184

[www.rosecustomcreations.com](http://www.rosecustomcreations.com)

*Free pickup and delivery from ICS Winter Park Office*

### **IGT Embroidery**

[www.igt embroidery.com](http://www.igt embroidery.com)

(407) 277-7728

*Online Ordering Only - Free Delivery to the School*

### **Trophies Unlimited**

533 S. Dillard Street

Winter Garden, FL 34787

*Monogramming Only*