

Dayspring Dress Policy

June 28, 2021

Dear Parents,

You may not be thinking about what the well-dressed scholar will be wearing this fall. After all, it's not even Independence Day (as of this writing). In an effort to keep your summer as stress-free as possible, I want to be sure that you are up-to-date on the dress policy, particularly since we added new parameters for middle and high school last year.

If you are a new Dayspring parent, none of this is a change as it's all new to you. Consider this a quick review of our dress policy. We will also review the dress policy at New Family Orientation on August 5.

If you are a long-time Dayspring parent or even a "newer" Dayspring parent within the last year or two, you remember the changes made to the Upper School uniform that included specific colors for specific age groups.

Middle schoolers wear...

- business casual attire (gray polo with logo; navy pants or skirt) on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays; and
- professional attire (French blue oxford with logo; navy pants for boys and navy skirt for girls).

High school students wear...

- wear business casual attire (navy polo with logo; khaki pants or skirt) on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays; and
- wear professional attire (French blue oxford with logo, including a tie for boys; khaki pants for boys and khaki skirt for girls).

Details follow, but please ask if you have questions. Talk to Dr. Randy Hilton (rhilton@dayspringchristian.com), Mrs. Dee Henry (dhenry@dayspringchristian.com), or yours truly (khasting@dayspringchristian.com). You can also call any of us at (717) 285-2000.

Enjoy your summer!

Blessings,

Karol Hasting

Lower School Dress Policy Please use the following tables to determine what your Lower School age child may wear to school.

Notes: For additional warmth, students may wear inconspicuous articles of plain white clothing, such as a turtleneck or long-sleeved t-shirt, under their dress policy shirts; no colors, prints, or designs. Undergarments must not be visible through the uniform shirt.

Shop for uniform-style pants in the school uniform section of most department stores or through DCA’s uniform provider, Lands’ End. Low-rise, skinny, form-fitting, and cargo pants are not permitted, nor are pants with patch pockets.

Grade	Skirts, Pants, or Jumpers	Tops (all with logo)	Sweaters (all with logo)	Hosiery	Shoes
Girls	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Navy or khaki jumper with logo (length not shorter than the top of the knee cap) ▪ Navy or khaki uniform-style pants, capris (below the knee) or shorts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ White, light blue or red knit polo shirt ▪ Red or white mock turtleneck ▪ Red or white turtleneck ▪ Light blue or white Peter Pan collar blouse 	Solid navy blue or red cardigan, v-neck or crew-neck, vest or sweater	Tights or socks in white, navy blue, or black	Shoes, sneakers, or boots. No sandals, flip flops, slippers, or Heelys.
Boys	Navy or khaki uniform-style pants or shorts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ White, light blue or red knit polo shirt ▪ Red, white, or blue mock turtleneck ▪ Red, white, or blue turtleneck 	Solid navy blue or red cardigan, v-neck or crew-neck vest or sweater	Socks in white, navy blue, brown, or black	Shoes, sneakers, or boots. No sandals, flip flops, slippers, or Heelys.

**Upper School
Uniform
Changes for
2021-22**

For the second year, Dayspring Upper School students will have their week divided into Business Casual days and Professional dress days.

On Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, students dress in Business Casual attire. Middle School students wear navy pants or skirts and gray polo shirts with the Dayspring logo. High School students wear khaki pants or skirts and navy polo shirts with the Dayspring logo.

On Wednesdays, students wear Professional attire to coincide with chapel. Middle and High School students wear a French blue oxford with logo. Middle School students wear navy pants or skirts, and High School students wear khaki pants or skirts.

Occasionally, students will be asked to wear specific attire for a special event, such as Grandparents Day. Parents and students will be notified at least one week in advance through school announcements and *The Beacon*.

***Grandfather phase:** For 2021-2022, students may wear any previously-purchased oxford with logo on any day of the week. You are not required to purchase polos for this school year, as it is the second year of our grandfather phase. However, no new oxford shirts, beyond what is needed for business professional days, need to be purchased.

Important: For the 2021-2022 school year, Middle School students must wear navy pants or skirts and High School students must wear khaki pants or skirts. Other colors options are not permitted.

Upper School Dress Policy for Girls

Please use the following tables to determine what your Upper School daughter may wear to school.

Upper School students must wear a plain black or brown belt with pants.

Note: For additional warmth, students may wear inconspicuous articles of plain white (middle school or high school), navy (high school only) or gray (middle school only) clothing, such as a turtleneck or long-sleeved t-shirt, under their dress policy shirts; no other colors, prints, or designs.

Shop for **uniform-style pants** in the school uniform section of most department stores or through DCA’s uniform provider, Lands’ End. **Low-rise, skinny, form-fitting, and cargo pants are not permitted, nor are pants with patch pockets.**

Grade	Skirts or Pants	Tops (all with logo)	Sweaters (all with logo)	Hosiery	Shoes
6-8 Business Casual	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Navy skirt or skort (length not shorter than the top of the knee cap) ▪ Navy uniform-style pants 	*Gray polo shirt, tucked in. All buttons, except the top, must be buttoned.	Solid navy blue or red cardigan, v-neck or crew-neck sweater; navy or red fleece (half or full-zip)	Tights or socks in solid white, navy blue, or black; nylons in flesh-tone, solid white, navy blue, or black.	Shoes, sneakers, or boots. All shoes must have a non-skid sole, and enclosed heel and toe. No sandals or flip flops.
6-8 Professional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Navy skirt or skort (length not shorter than the top of the knee cap). or ▪ Shin-length chino skirt in navy 	*French blue button down oxford shirt	Solid navy blue or red cardigan, v-neck or crew-neck sweater; navy or red fleece (half or full-zip) Optional navy blue blazer (does not require logo).	Tights or socks in solid white, navy blue, or black; nylons in flesh-tone, solid white, navy blue, or black.	Shoes, sneakers, or boots. All shoes must have a non-skid sole, and enclosed heel and toe. No sandals or flip flops.

Grade	Skirts or Pants	Tops (all with logo)	Sweaters (all with logo)	Hosiery	Shoes
9-12 Business Casual	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Khaki skirt or skort (length not shorter than the top of the knee cap) ▪ Khaki uniform-style pants 	*Navy polo shirt, tucked in. All buttons, except the top, must be buttoned.	Solid navy blue or red cardigan, v-neck or crew-neck sweater; navy or red fleece (half or full-zip)	Tights or socks in solid white, navy blue, or black; nylons in flesh-tone, solid white, navy blue, or black.	<p>Leather or faux leather dress shoe, mostly solid in dark color (with no shiny or metallic designs), with closed toe and heel.</p> <p>Not permitted: any kind of casual footwear such as sneakers, boots, or any type of canvas shoe (such as TOMS), sandals, flip-flops, moccasins, work boots, etc.</p>
9-12 Professional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Khaki skirt or skort (length not shorter than the top of the knee cap). or ▪ Shin-length chino skirt in khaki 	*French blue button down oxford shirt	<p>Solid navy blue or red cardigan, v-neck or crew-neck sweater; navy or red fleece (half or full-zip)</p> <p>Optional navy blue blazer (does not require logo).</p>	Tights or socks in solid white, navy blue, or black; nylons in flesh-tone, solid white, navy blue, or black.	<p>Leather or faux leather dress shoe, mostly solid in dark color (with no shiny or metallic designs), with closed toe and heel.</p> <p>Not permitted: any kind of casual footwear such as sneakers, boots, or any type of canvas shoe (such as TOMS), sandals, flip-flops, moccasins, work boots, etc.</p>

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Upper School Dress Policy for Boys

Please use the following tables to determine what your Upper School son may wear to school.

Upper School students must wear a plain black or brown belt with pants.

Note: For additional warmth, students may wear inconspicuous articles of plain white (middle school or high school), navy (high school only) or gray (middle school only) clothing, such as a turtleneck or long-sleeved t-shirt, under their dress policy shirts; no colors, prints, or designs.

Shop for uniform-style pants in the school uniform section of most department stores or through DCA’s uniform providers. Low-rise, skinny, form-fitting, and cargo pants are not permitted, nor are pants with patch pockets.

Grade	Pants	Tops (all with logo)	Sweaters (all with logo)	Hosiery	Shoes
6-8 Business Casual	Navy uniform-style pants	*Gray polo shirt, tucked in. All buttons, except the top, must be buttoned.	Solid navy blue or red v-neck or crew-neck vest or sweater; navy or red fleece (half or full-zip)	Socks in solid navy, black, or brown	Shoes, sneakers, or boots. All shoes must have a non-skid sole, and enclosed heel and toe. No sandals or flip flops.
6-8 Professional	Navy uniform-style pants	*French blue button down oxford shirt	Solid navy blue or red cardigan, v-neck or crew-neck sweater; navy or red fleece (half or full-zip) Optional navy blue blazer (does not require logo).	Socks in solid navy, black, or brown	Shoes, sneakers, or boots. All shoes must have a non-skid sole, and enclosed heel and toe. No sandals or flip flops.

Grade	Skirts or Pants	Tops (all with logo)	Sweaters (all with logo)	Hosiery	Shoes
9-12 Business Casual	Khaki uniform-style pants	*Navy polo shirt, tucked in. All buttons, except the top, must be buttoned.	Solid navy blue or red v-neck or crew-neck vest or sweater; navy or red fleece (half or full-zip) Optional navy blue blazer (does not require logo).	Socks in solid navy, black, or brown	Leather or faux leather dress shoe, mostly solid in dark color, with closed toe and heel. Not permitted: any kind of casual footwear such as sneakers, boots, or any type of canvas shoe (such as TOMS), sandals, flip-flops, moccasins, work boots, etc.
9-12 Professional	Khaki uniform-style pants	*French blue button down oxford shirt with red/navy striped tie (from uniform provider)	Solid navy blue or red cardigan, v-neck or crew-neck sweater; navy or red fleece (half or full-zip) Optional navy blue blazer (does not require logo).	Socks in solid navy blue, brown or black	Leather or faux leather dress shoe, mostly solid in dark color, with closed toe and heel. Not permitted: any kind of casual footwear such as sneakers, boots, or any type of canvas shoe (such as TOMS), sandals, flip-flops, moccasins, work boots, etc.

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Upper School Special Dress Day Standards Dayspring students have regular opportunities to dress for school in items other than the typical uniform. Please use the following standards to determine how to dress for special dress days.

Special Dress Day	What To Wear	What NOT To Wear
Early Dismissal, Upper School Retreat, SFE Blessing Day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Clean, neat clothes in good repair; no holes or frays (including jeans); skirts must reach the top of the kneecap ▪ Jeans, slacks, or loose-fitting track (or athletic style) pants ▪ Shorts that are no shorter than a few inches above the knee (for the retreat and SFE Blessing, shorts must reach the middle of the thigh) ▪ Modest clothes that follow a biblical standard. ▪ Shoes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Short skirts or shorts that rise more than a few inches above the knee ▪ Sleeveless shirts or tank tops ▪ Flip-flops or slippers ▪ Shirts that display objectionable material ▪ Sweatpants, tight-fitting track (or athletic style) pants, including yoga pants, tights, spandex, etc.
Athletic Game Days (Upper School students)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Soccer: Game jersey or warmup shirt in place of the regular uniform shirt, tucked in. ▪ Basketball, volleyball, or track: game jersey worn over a sleeved undershirt, tucked in. ▪ Pants or skirt as identified in the uniform policy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Shorts
Dress-up Days (Upper School students)	Dress according to the guidelines sent home in the Beacon. (example: Christmas party dress information is sent home in a December Beacon)	

Enforcement of these standards will follow the same policy listed under the **Parents and the Dress policy** section of this policy.