

# **BEACON HILL CLASSICAL ACADEMY**

# 2023 - 2024 Lower Campus Dress Code

# **Code and Culture Mission**

Beacon Hill Classical Academy believes that uniforms play an important role in maintaining a culture conducive to cultivating virtuous scholars. In many respects the uniform is the face of BHCA. Uniforms encourage a sense of school identity and cohesion among students and also help to raise the bar of the school's academic and cultural pursuits. Rather than expressing themselves through current youth fashion, students at BHCA are asked to express themselves through their attitudes, behavior, minds, and hearts. Like doctors, nurses, athletes, firefighters, and chefs, students at Beacon Hill Classical Academy wear uniforms.

# **Vendors and Purchasing**

Lands' End supplies the uniforms for Beacon Hill Classical Academy. Our preferred number is 900134438.

Target, Walmart, Old Navy etc. are acceptable vendors for pants, shorts or skirts in line with our approved uniform dress code in navy, gray, or khaki.

# **Girls Uniforms**

All shirts must be purchased through Lands' End. The shirts should be collared, solid, button down and with the Beacon crest. All acceptable shirts and Polos are found on the Lands' End website under our school's approved page.

Uniform skirts, jumpers, and shorts are to be solid navy, gray, or khaki, or school code plaid, made of cotton twill fabric, and no more than 2 inches above the knee. The approved pattern and styles are available through Lands' End using our school code. Pants must be solid navy, gray, or khaki in cotton twill and chino style. No jean style or fabric pants.

Undershorts are required for modesty. Girls must wear shorts under their skirts and jumpers. Bike shorts and the like are appropriate choices. Please choose navy, black or gray as color choices for undershorts.

All outerwear must be solid navy, black, or gray. To be worn indoors it must be purchased from Lands' End and be Beacon crested. All other non-Beacon crested outerwear including jackets and bulkier items will be kept outside.

Shoes may be purchased from anywhere as long as they are white, black, gray, tan, brown, or navy. They must be plain (no patterns) with non-marking rubber soles. Laces and/or shoes may not be distracting colors (neon, checkers, etc) and have no side design. Sandals, Ugg boots, Crocs, knee-high boots, character shoes, and cowboy style boots are <u>not</u> acceptable footwear at BHCA. Socks or tights are required and must be non-distracting white, gray, black, or navy.

Headbands and hair accessories are to be solid gray, navy, light blue, or white. These should be non distracting: no sparkles, sequins, feathers, cat ears etc. Land's End has plaid items that are acceptable.

Belts are acceptable with pants or shorts and should be solid brown, navy, or black. Lands' End sells a plaid belt that matches other uniform items, and is acceptable.

Jewelry should be kept at a minimum—one small loop or stud per ear, non-distracting necklaces and bracelets are acceptable.

Undershirts must be plain white and completely hidden under the uniform shirt.

All clothes and shoes should be well fitted and clean. Uniforms should not have heavy or excessive stains and no holes or tears.

#### **Boys Uniforms**

Uniform shirts must be purchased from Lands' End. Shirts should be collared, button-down or polo, in colors and patterns found on our approved school page on our vendor's websites. Undershirts are not required but should be solid white and not visible. Shirts must be tucked in for 3rd grade and up.

Pants and shorts are acceptable bottoms provided that they are flat front chinos in solid navy, khaki or gray. Pants and shorts may not be made of denim material. No jean style or cargo pockets are allowed.

All outerwear must be solid navy, black, or gray. To be worn indoors it must be purchased from Lands' End and be Beacon crested. All other non-Beacon crested outerwear including jackets and bulkier items will be kept outside.

Shoes may be purchased from anywhere as long as they are white, black, gray, tan, brown, or navy. They must be plain (no patterns) with non-marking rubber soles. Laces and/or shoes may not be distracting colors (neon, checkers, etc) and have no side design. Sandals, Ugg boots, Crocs, knee-high boots, character shoes, and cowboy style boots are <u>not</u> acceptable footwear at BHCA. Socks are required and must be non-distracting white, gray, black, or navy.

For Grade 3-5, boys' belts are required when wearing a tucked-in button-down shirt and must be black, navy blue, or brown.

All clothes and shoes should be well fitted and clean. Uniforms should not have heavy or excessive stains and no holes or tears.

#### **Spirit Wear and Free Dress Days**

Lower Campus Spirit Wear days are every Monday for full-time students and the last Friday of every month for all students. In some cases the day may fall early if students will not be present on the last calendar Friday (e.g. December). Only Spirit Wear tops purchased from the Gryphon Store or Sideline Store and may be worn on these days. Regular uniform pants/shorts/jeans may be worn (no rips or tears) and modest length. Absolutely <u>no</u> athletic shorts or leggings may be worn. If the Spirit Wear dress guidelines are violated, parents will be called and will be required to bring appropriate clothes.

### **Personal Appearance and Hygiene**

This policy applies to all students both while in school and while attending school-sponsored activities.

Girl students should have natural hair of one color. Hair should be neatly combed out of the face. Styles of hair should not be distracting. Girls should wear socks and proper underclothing.

All boy students must have natural hair of one color; wear their hair neatly combed and cut above the collar, eyebrows, and ears. Their hair should be styled in a way that is consistent with the spirit of this policy. Boys should wear belts, socks, and proper underclothing.

Any other items or practices considered generally inconsistent with the intent of this policy will also be considered violations. Further, the Head of School may bar attendance of students in violation of this policy.

### **Rules and Violation Procedures**

Uniforms must be worn at all times unless an administrator gives permission otherwise. Uniforms must also be worn on all school-sanctioned field trips unless given notice.

Administrators, teachers and auxilium are arbitrators in keeping the students dress up to code. The Head of School is the final arbitrator of whether a student is in compliance with this uniform policy and code.

When a student violates the uniform code the following actions will be taken: If a student comes to school with an incomplete uniform, a notice will be sent home informing parents. On the third

occasion that such a notice is necessary, a parent will be called and asked to bring in the correct uniform before the student is allowed to continue school for that day.