

Leonardo da Vinci Health Sciences Charter School (LdVCS)
Voluntary School Uniform Guideline

I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:

This policy sets forth a Voluntary School Uniform Guideline for the students of Leonardo da Vinci Health Sciences Charter School.

II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY:

The implementation of a school uniform at Leonardo da Vinci Health Sciences Charter School will be instrumental in fostering greater school pride and inclusiveness, promoting school safety, and enhancing our learning environment as students concentrate on their learning rather than on what they are wearing.

The student uniform will include a forest green short sleeve embroidered polo shirt, khaki pants, knee length shorts/skorts, jumper, or skirt. Students will be encouraged to wear their LdVCS logo t-shirt on Special Assembly days.

Pants: Khaki; can be cotton, cotton blend, or corduroy. Pants can have an elastic waist.

Skirts, Jumpers, or Skorts: Khaki; can be cotton, cotton blend, or corduroy; should be knee level or longer and can have an elastic waist. Polo must be worn under the jumper.

Shorts: Khaki; can be cotton, cotton blend, or corduroy and can have an elastic waist.

Shirts: Forest green short sleeve embroidered polo shirt.

Sweatshirt or Sweaters can be pullover or zippered: Forest green.

Shoes or Sneakers: Shoes/Sneakers must fit securely on foot. Shoes with open toes, or backless shoes (including flip flops, sandals, mules, and slides) will not be allowed. Shoes may be laced or buckled. NO Heelies or rollers.

No oversized clothing will be allowed.

Resources to assist economically disadvantaged students:

In many cases, school uniforms are less expensive than the clothing that students typically wear to school. Nonetheless, the cost of purchasing a uniform may be a burden on some families. Examples of the types of assistance for students whose families are unable to afford uniforms include:

- A) Clothing donations made by LdVCS parents, community members, and/or local clothing stores;
- B) LdVCS parents work together to make uniforms available for economically disadvantaged students; and
- C) Gently used uniforms from students who have outgrown their uniforms are made available to students in need.

For parents who choose not to have their children comply with our adopted school uniform policy, student must adhere to LdVCS' Student Dress Guidelines.

No student shall be penalized academically or otherwise discriminated against nor denied attendance to school if the student's parents choose not to have the student comply with the school uniform policy.

Students that participate in a nationally recognized youth organization may wear the organization's uniform on days that the organization has a scheduled meeting.

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Student Dress Guidelines

It is expected that parents will use good judgment with regard to proper school dress. It is important that students dress so they are comfortable at school. In winter, students should come to school dressed to go outside each day.

Students are not permitted to wear shirts with offensive language or pictures on them, nor those that promote violence and/or alcohol or other drugs. Wearing of inappropriate or offensive clothing will result in students being required to change.

Clothes shall be sufficient to conceal undergarments at all times. See-through fabrics, halter tops, off the shoulder or low cut tops, bare midriffs and skirts or shorts shorter than mid-thigh are not acceptable.

Hats, caps, and other head coverings shall not be worn indoors. Appropriate shoes must be for play on the blacktop or field. For safety reasons, shoes must have closed toes and heel straps. No heels or platforms higher than two-inches should be worn at school.

LdVCS teachers and staff reserve the right to make judgments on any article of clothing, mode of dress or hair style which is potentially disruptive to the learning environment or compromises anyone's safety.

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