

# ECS Uniform Policy

At Evangel Classical School, our uniform policy and implementation seek *harmony* versus uniformity. We love to sing at ECS, and we likewise love all our individual students with their quirks and strengths. We have strong singers who need to learn to harmonize so everyone makes beautiful music *together*; likewise, we have students gifted in mathematics or geared towards social brilliance, but our students are part of one school - as they learn and are equipped, they are in it together, encouraging and edifying and even teaching one another. Our harmonizing of gifts and talents are liturgized in our uniform policy, which has grown out of the following principles:

- ❖ Our goal is to honor God in everything we do, acknowledging the lordship of Jesus Christ in all we do.
- ❖ Close-Knit Unity: We may not be seeking the same uniformity of the military, but we are in a fight, and there are a lot of arrows being whittled around here. Good education equips students to be winsome, deep-souled worshippers of the triune God. This is squire-academy for valiant fighters-in-training. We are part of the same squad - this is the training ground for future battle, and as such, we come dressed for the occasion. It is to remind the students that this is their people - this is their fight, and they are all in it. Little or big, fast or slow, older or younger, a uniform presents a physical, instant recognition of inclusion and solidarity.
- ❖ Practicality and Logistics: at a pragmatic level, uniforms save money, lessen social pressure and impact on dress, and help students focus on the task at hand and their vocation as a student. It also assists faculty during field trips and recess in quickly identifying students. Accordingly, students are expected to be in uniform during school hours unless specified otherwise by the administration or teachers.
- ❖ The administration is responsible for the interpretation of the policy, and the enforcement of the policy is the responsibility of parents, administration, faculty, and staff.

Uniforms carry the force of tradition and weight of history - from the slums of Haiti, where students without enough food still get dressed in crisp uniforms on school days, to the robes and jester-hats of medieval professors, we stand with them. Uniforms are, in the end, just exterior. But like a squire who finally proves himself worthy of knighthood, as our graduates lay aside navy cardigans and white button-up shirts, our hope is that they will do so with a sense of fondness - a thankfulness for the training they received in those uniforms, training which now well equips them to don new uniforms in new adventures.

# Grammar School Girls

## Daily Uniform

RR plaid center box pleat skirt \*DU\*

One of the following in white or light blue:

Dress shirt (long or short sleeve)

Polo shirt (long or short sleeve)

Turtleneck (regular or mock, long sleeve only)

Optional, embroidered by DMG\*\* with the ECS logo:

Heather gray v-neck sweater vest \*DU\*

Heather gray v-neck cardigan sweater \*DU\*

Navy blue full-zip microfleece jacket \*DU\*

Black, gray, white or navy bike shorts

Tights, knee socks or bobby socks in white, navy or gray (cabled, ribbed or plain)

Black shoes (no tennis shoes, boots, sandals, open backed or open toed shoes)

## Dress Uniform

RR plaid center box pleat skirt \*DU\*

White long sleeve dress shirt

One of the following, embroidered by DMG\*\* with the ECS logo:

Heather gray v-neck sweater vest \*DU\*

Heather gray v-neck cardigan sweater \*DU\*

RR plaid cross tie \*DU\*

Black, gray, white or navy bike shorts

Tights, knee socks or bobby socks in navy (cabled, ribbed or plain)

Black dress shoes (no tennis shoes, boots, sandals, open backed or open toed shoes)

## Event Uniform

RR plaid center box pleat skirt \*DU\*

White long sleeve dress shirt

One of the following, embroidered by DMG\*\* with the ECS logo:

Heather gray v-neck sweater vest \*DU\*

Heather gray v-neck cardigan sweater \*DU\*

RR plaid cross tie \*DU\*

Black, gray, white or navy bike shorts

White cabled, ribbed or plain tights

Black dress shoes (no tennis shoes, boots, sandals, open backed or open toed shoes)

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\*\*DMG: Design Matrix Group - 3923 88th Street NE, Marysville. 360-653-9900.

# Grammar School Boys

## Daily Uniform

Navy blue chinos

One of the following in white or light blue:

Oxford shirt (long or short sleeve)

Polo shirt (long or short sleeve)

Turtleneck (regular or mock, long sleeve only)

Optional, embroidered by DMG\*\* with the ECS logo:

Heather gray v-neck sweater vest \*DU\*

Heather gray v-neck cardigan sweater \*DU\*

Navy blue full-zip microfleece jacket \*DU\*

Black belt

Black or navy crew length socks

Black shoes (no tennis shoes, boots or sandals)

## Event & Dress Uniform

Navy blue chinos

White long sleeve oxford shirt

One of the following, embroidered by DMG\*\* with the ECS logo:

Heather gray v-neck sweater vest \*DU\*

Heather gray v-neck cardigan sweater \*DU\*

RR plaid tie (clip-on or four-in-hand) \*DU\*

Black belt

Black or navy crew length socks

Black dress shoes (no tennis shoes, boots or sandals)

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# Secondary Girls

## Daily Uniform

RR plaid center box pleat skirt \*DU\*

One of the following in white or light blue:

Dress shirt (long or short sleeve)

Polo shirt (long or short sleeve)

Turtleneck (regular or mock, long sleeve only)

Optional, embroidered by DMG\*\* with the ECS logo:

Navy blue v-neck sweater vest \*DU\*

Navy blue v-neck cardigan sweater \*DU\*

Navy blue full-zip microfleece jacket \*DU\*

Black, gray, white or navy bike shorts

Tights, knee socks or bobby socks in white, navy or gray (cabled, ribbed or plain)

Black shoes (no tennis shoes, boots, sandals, open backed or open toed shoes)

## Dress Uniform

RR plaid center box pleat skirt \*DU\*

White long sleeve dress shirt

One of the following, embroidered by DMG\*\* with the ECS logo:

Navy blue v-neck sweater vest \*DU\*

Navy blue v-neck cardigan sweater \*DU\*

RR plaid cross tie \*DU\*

Black, gray, white or navy bike shorts

Tights, knee socks or bobby socks in navy (cabled, ribbed or plain)

Black dress shoes (2" heel or less, no tennis shoes, boots, sandals, open backed or open toed shoes)

## Event Uniform

RR plaid center box pleat skirt \*DU\*

White long sleeve dress shirt

One of the following, embroidered by DMG\*\* with the ECS logo:

Navy blue v-neck sweater vest \*DU\*

Navy blue v-neck cardigan sweater \*DU\*

RR plaid cross tie \*DU\*

Black, gray, white or navy bike shorts

White cabled, ribbed or plain tights

Black dress shoes (2" heel or less, no tennis shoes, boots, sandals, open backed or open toed shoes)

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# Secondary Boys

## Daily Uniform

Khaki chinos

One of the following in white or light blue:

Oxford shirt (long or short sleeve)

Polo shirt (long or short sleeve)

Turtleneck (regular or mock, long sleeve only)

Optional, embroidered by DMG\*\* with the ECS logo:

Navy blue v-neck sweater vest \*DU\*

Navy blue v-neck cardigan sweater \*DU\*

Navy blue full-zip microfleece jacket \*DU\*

Black belt

Black or navy crew length socks

Black shoes (no tennis shoes, boots or sandals)

## Event & Dress Uniform

Khaki chinos

White long sleeve oxford shirt

One of the following, embroidered by DMG\*\* with the ECS logo:

Navy blue v-neck sweater vest \*DU\*

Navy blue v-neck cardigan sweater \*DU\*

RR plaid tie (four-in-hand) \*DU\*

Black belt

Black or navy crew length socks

Black dress shoes (no tennis shoes, boots or sandals)

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# Uniform Notes

## General

- Modesty is expected.
- Please label all uniform items with your last name.
- Any part of the dress uniform may be worn on non-dress days, but the RR plaid ties may only be worn with an oxford or dress shirt.
- Long-sleeved shirts may not be worn rolled up on dress uniform days.
- No logos on any shirts.
- Undershirts and camisoles are optional but must be white and free of logos.
- Pants length must be below the ankle. If necessary, pants should be altered throughout the school year to adhere to this.
- Skirt length must be at the knee. If necessary, skirts should be altered throughout the school year to adhere to this.
- For all boys and grammar school girls, shirts must be tucked in at all times; purchasing a longer-tailed shirt will help with this. For secondary girls, a shirt may be worn untucked as long as it does not show below the sweater/cardigan.
- Pants must fit at the waist and be worn at the natural waistline (no saggy or droopy pants).
- Outerwear other than uniform sweaters or uniform microfleece jackets may not be worn in the school or classroom but may be worn outside at recess.
- At this point, our student body is not large enough for Dennis Uniforms to handle our embroidery needs. While we keep growing towards that, we use Design Matrix Group (DMG) for all embroidery. Each family can take the items they need embroidered to DMG. The ECS logo is on file with them and they charge approximately \$8.50 per logo embroidered. They are located at 3923 88th Street NE in Marysville and can be reached by phone at 360.653.9900.

## Hair

- Hair for all students should be clean, neat and modest in style and appearance. We know that this could seem abstract and vague, we also think most people know what it means. If there are questions, please see Mr. Sarr for his savvy beauty tips. *Risus est bellum!*
- Boys' hair must be cut to be off the ear and off the collar. Sideburns may not extend below the middle of the ear. Hairstyle must be conservative (e.g., no faux hawks).
- Boys must be clean shaven.
- Boys may not dye or highlight their hair.
- Girls are allowed to wear hair ornaments as long as they are conservative and are a color found in the school uniform.
- Girls hair may be dyed or highlighted, but a natural color only.

## Jewelry

- Necklaces are allowed if tucked inside the student's shirt.
- Girls may have a single stud or post earring per ear. No other piercings may be worn.
- Boys may not wear piercings of any kind.

*Exclusions from the dress code: embroidery (other than the ECS logo), corduroy, cargo pants, footless tights or leggings, hats, scarves, bandanas or distracting styles (e.g. no-show socks, torn or soiled clothes, overdone makeup or jewelry, tattoos, immodesty, visible undergarments or camisoles, long hair or facial hair for boys, etc.).*