

LOWER SCHOOL DRESS CODE

The dress code for Sierra Canyon's Lower School is designed to reflect our school's mission, and it supports the principle that students are, first and foremost, engaged in the pursuit of knowledge and learning. Respect for one's learning environment and others in a school community, alongside building positive lifelong habits, are among the primary values that we endeavor to instill in our students.

UNIFORM GUIDELINES (MONDAY – THURSDAY)

Most Sierra Canyon uniform items may be purchased through [Lands' End](#) website for school uniforms. The Parent Association also hosts Used Uniform Sales where parents may purchase gently worn attire. These sales are announced through summer communications, separate emails, etc.

Shirts

- Must be an approved SC uniform item with the school logo in gray, navy, red, or white.
- Must be a short- or long-sleeved polo or dress shirt/blouse.
- Undershirts in gray, navy, red, or white (long-sleeve T-shirts or turtlenecks) may be worn underneath uniform shirts, jumpers, or dresses.

Pants / Shorts

- Must be an approved SC uniform item in khaki or navy.
- All pants must fit appropriately, be worn at the waist, and may NOT be baggy, torn, cut-off, unraveling, or contain holes.

Dresses / Skirts / Skorts

- Must be an approved SC uniform item in blue plaid, gray, khaki, or navy.
- All dresses/skirts/skorts should be no higher than the midpoint between the knee and the tips of fingers resting at the student's side.

Leggings / Tights

- Leggings or tights in solid black, gray, navy, or white may be worn underneath a dress, skirt, or skort. **They are not to be worn as a stand-alone item for bottom wear.**

Sweaters / Sweatshirts

- All sweaters and sweatshirts must be an approved SC uniform item in gray, navy, red, or white, AND have the SC logo or be identifiable as Sierra Canyon-issued clothing (e.g., class sweatshirts, Dance or Math Team sweatshirts, etc.).

Jackets / Raincoats (optional)

- Non-SC outerwear in black, gray, navy, red, or white may be worn on cold or rainy days.

Shoes / Socks

- Students may wear athletic or Mary Jane-style shoes with the base color (majority) in black, gray, navy, red, or white. All accent colors are acceptable (e.g., black shoe with a green swoosh). Students may NOT wear mismatched shoes.
- Rain boots may be worn on wet and rainy days in any color.
- Boots, Crocs, Uggs, open-toed shoes or ones with lights, sounds, or wheels are NOT permitted.
- Socks may be worn in the following colors: black, gray, khaki, navy, red, or white. Students may NOT wear mismatched colored socks or socks with designs (i.e., theme, animal, etc.).

SPIRIT WEAR (FRIDAY)

Sierra Canyon spirit wear Fridays is a tradition to demonstrate school pride. As such, we encourage students to wear SC spirit wear tops (t-shirts, sweatshirts, etc.) instead of their uniform shirts. *Spirit wear items are available at our Lower School campus store or through our online provider [Sideline Store](#).*

- Students who elect NOT to wear spirit wear tops must be in uniform.
- Any Sierra Canyon T-shirt, jersey, or sweatshirt is acceptable on Friday. Please wear a T-shirt underneath any sleeveless jerseys.
- As for bottoms, students should wear their uniform shorts, skirt, or pants.

ACCESSORIES AND GROOMING

Beanies / Caps / Hats

Must be an official SC headwear item with the SC logo. Hats are NOT to be worn indoors.

Belts

Cloth or leather belts for pants or shorts are optional and may be worn in black, brown, or navy.

Hair

Hair must be neat and well-groomed. A student's hair may not obstruct vision nor feature an extreme style. Ribbons, headbands, and all hair accessories (e.g. scrunchies, etc.) should be simple and small with the following acceptable colors: black, gray, blue plaid, khaki, navy, red, or white.

Jewelry

Jewelry is strongly discouraged for safety reasons. If worn, it must be unobtrusive so as not to distract the learning environment. Heavy chains, hanging or large hoop earrings, protruding finger rings, or piercings other than earrings are NOT permitted.

Makeup

Except for lip balm or lip gloss, make-up should not be worn by students.

MISCELLANEOUS

Field Trip Attire

Approved SC uniform red polo shirts with the SC logo MUST be worn with any uniform pants, shorts, skirts, or skorts for field trips.

Labeling Clothing

It is extremely important to label all clothing items. Items not labeled will be stored in our lost and found for a limited time and then offered in our used uniform sale.

Athletic Team Uniforms

Students in Grades 4 – 6 who participate on athletic teams are issued a team uniform. To promote team spirit, students may wear their athletic uniforms/team shirt on game days.

Free or Theme Dress Days

For students' birthdays and dedicated theme days, students may participate in free dress. Please adhere to the following guidelines on these days:

- No inappropriate images or writing on clothing
- No sleeveless or spaghetti-strap tops or ones that expose the chest, waist, or midriff
- No mini-skirts, mini-dresses, short-shorts, or tight-fitting clothes
- No leggings, jeggings, or yoga pants worn as pants
- No pants, shorts, skirts, or skorts that are ripped, cut-off, unraveling, or contain holes
- No Crocs, flip-flops, open-toed shoes, Uggs, sandals, wedges, or high-heels

DRESS CODE VIOLATIONS

Upon arrival each day, homeroom teachers will check students' attire during attendance. If a student is found to be out of the dress code, he or she will be asked to rectify the problem immediately. If necessary, the student may be asked to wait in the Dean's office until a parent brings the appropriate uniform attire. Sierra Canyon will provide the student with the appropriate attire at the parent's expense if available.

- First offense - A verbal warning will be given.
- Second offense - A discipline referral form will be issued.
- Third offense - This will necessitate a parent meeting with the Dean and could affect the student's standing in the School.

IMPORTANT: The Administration may modify the dress code as needed. In all cases, the Administration makes the final determination as to whether or not an outfit meets the dress code standards.

Should you have any further questions regarding the Lower Campus Dress Code Policy, please contact the Dean's Office at ahorwitz@sierracanyonschool.org or at gcrosby@sierracanyonschool.org.

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