

CTA Independence Dress Code

An enforced dress code will contribute to the CTA's academic environment. The guide-lines will meet or exceed the CUSD guidelines. Just as dress codes address professional standards in the workplace, the CTA "prescribed" dress code promotes the purpose of academics. "Prescribed Dress" means that all students are expected to dress in a neat attractive fashion reflecting pride in themselves and their school. It is both the parents' and the child's responsibility to ensure compliance with these standards.

The CTA's mandatory dress code options are as follows:

MONDAY - THURSDAY: Girl's Bottoms:

Pants/Capris – Plain navy blue or khaki

Jeans – Plain dark navy blue denim (no fading, logos, designs, tears/rips, or holes)

Shorts/culottes/skorts/skirts – Plain navy blue or khaki (must fit modestly to the top of knee)

Dress/jumper – Plain navy blue, khaki or red (no pin stripes or design). Jumpers must have a dress code appropriate shirt underneath.

Tights/leggings– Solid blue, white, or red (can only be worn under jumpers, skirts, or dresses - no sparkles or designs)

No tight fitting or big/baggy bottoms will be allowed.

MONDAY - THURSDAY: Boy's Bottoms:

Pants – Plain navy blue or khaki

Jeans – Plain dark navy blue denim (no fading, logos, designs, tears/rips, or holes)

Shorts – Plain navy blue or khaki (must fit modestly to the top of knee)

No tight fitting or big/baggy bottoms will be allowed.

MONDAY - THURSDAY: Girl's and Boy's Tops:

SOLID navy blue, true red, or white shirts with a collar and sleeves (no pin stripes or logos of any kind, with the exception of our CTA Independence polo shirts).

Turtlenecks can be worn alone, but they must be solid navy blue, true red or white.

Long-sleeved undershirts can be worn under collared shirts, but they must be solid navy blue, true red, or white (the collared shirt and long-sleeved shirt do not have be the same color). **ALL shirts must be tucked in**.

FRIDAYS

School sponsored shirt (available through PTO) or Monday-Thursday uniform. Schools may prescribe alternate Friday dress. **All shirts must be tucked in**.

SHOES

Must adhere securely at the heel and/or be tied properly if they were designed to do so. (Flip-flops and heelys are not acceptable). Open-toed shoes are acceptable as long as they adhere to the heel.

On scheduled P.E. days, students are expected to wear tennis shoes to ensure safety.

Hair and accessories for girls

Hair shall be neatly groomed. Appropriate hairstyles and cuts, as well as natural hair colors, are acceptable. Bangs shall be worn above the eyebrows or pinned away from the eyes.

No face make-up or eye make-up shall be worn at school.

All jewelry will remain on the owner and shall be worn in the manner designed. Pierced body jewelry, other than earrings, is not to be allowed.

Hair and accessories for boys

Hair shall be neatly groomed and trimmed.
Appropriate hairstyles and cuts, as well as natural hair colors, are acceptable. Hair length shall not be longer than the ear lobes on the side or fall below the collar in the back. Bangs shall be worn above the eyebrows.

No headbands, hats, or caps shall be worn at school except hats approved by the teacher or principal for sun protection on the playground.

OUTERWEAR

Outerwear, including sweaters and sweatshirts, worn in the classroom must be predominantly navy, true red or white. A very small logo on the front of the solid navy, red, or white outerwear is acceptable. If the outerwear is worn outside and not inside the building, it may be any color.

Issues of improper dress are addressed by the teacher. Repeat offenders shall be counseled by the principal, and final decisions on dress code shall be made at the discretion of the principal.

Parents

Parents are urged to discuss the CTA dress code with their children to foster thorough understanding. If questions occur, the school nurse, teacher, or principal may be contact.