

## LHPS MIDDLE SCHOOL DRESS CODE FOR 2019-2020

Realizing that a relationship exists between standards of dress and behavior/performance and that high standards of dress foster a positive self-image, Lake Highland Preparatory School maintains certain expectations that result in the following guidelines of student dress. Students are expected to dress and groom themselves in a way that reflects neatness, moderation and appropriateness for school. Lake Highland Preparatory School students are also expected to adhere to the spirit of the specified guidelines, which reflect conservative standards of acceptability. **Adherence to the dress code must be maintained from the student's arrival on campus to his/her departure.** Students who are not in compliance with dress code and cannot bring themselves into compliance without leaving campus *may be sent home*. Time out of class will be recorded as *unexcused*. All dress code questions will be decided at the discretion of the Dean of Students. Requests for deviation from the dress code as assigned by gender will be handled by the Dean of Students on a case-by-case basis.

### ***Dress Code Requirements:***

#### **All Students:**

- Dress code clothing must be purchased from our supplier, **DENNIS UNIFORMS** for the 2019-2020 school year.
- Students at Lake Highland Preparatory School are expected to dress and groom themselves in a way that reflects neatness, moderation, and appropriateness for school.
- Adherence to the dress code must be maintained throughout the school day. Every student is required to be in full dress code compliance the first day of school and remain so the rest of the school year.
- For colder weather, there are a number of options offered by our clothing vendors. The Source also has many LHPS outerwear options.
- Visible tattoos and body-piercings are not permitted.
- Hats, scarves, bandanas, sunglasses are not permitted during the school day unless approved by the Dean of Students.
- Undergarments may not be visible.

**Shoes:** Athletic shoes may be worn every day except Wednesday. They must be in good repair; those with shoelaces must be tied. No backless styles or sandals; colors must be conservative. Shoes must be worn as designed. Students are not to walk in collapsed heels. Flip flops are only permitted on selected days as directed by the Middle School Director.

**Undershirts:** Must be solid white or black, with no writing or drawing.

**Ladies:** The long or short sleeve blouse must come over the top of the skirt or slacks with no midriff showing. Only the top button of the blouse may be unbuttoned.

Shorts must be no shorter than mid-thigh and may not be rolled up.

Earrings may be worn in the bottom of the earlobe only. No facial or tongue piercing permitted. Cartilage piercings, gauge, plugs and tunnel style earrings are not allowed. If makeup is worn, it must be worn in a conservative manner.

Hair must be worn in a neat, professional and modest manner that does not obstruct the student's face. No unnatural hair colors.

**Young Men:** Earrings are not allowed to be worn on campus or at school-sponsored activities.

Hair must be worn in a neat, professional and modest manner that does not obstruct the student's face or collar in the back. Young men must be clean-shaven each day. Sideburns are not permitted past mid ear. No unnatural hair colors or patterns cut into the scalp.

**If Dennis School Uniform garments are altered and do not reflect the style and/or design of the original garment, the garment may not be in compliance with the dress code and will not be permitted. All dress code questions are decided at the discretion of the Dean of Students.**

***Special Days:***

1. Athletic Competition Days- Students representing LHPS as members of athletic teams may, on days of team competition only, wear their team shirt with daily dress options of Dennis/Sunshine shorts/skirts/slacks. **Team jerseys or shirts are not to be worn on Wednesday dress days.** Members of athletic teams that choose not to wear their team's uniform or team shirt must follow the Dress Code for that school day. Team polo shirts with a collar are considered team spirit shirts and **may not be worn on Wednesday dress days.**
2. On college t-shirt day, students may wear an appropriate, college t-shirt and jeans in accordance with Spirit Day attire guidelines.
3. Students not participating in Spirit or Special Days are required to follow the Dress Code for that school day.

Spirit and special days are a privilege. Failure to abide by the Spirit and Special Day dress code may result in the loss of the privilege.

***Cold Weather Dress Day:***

Cold days are not automatically Cold Weather Dress days. Additionally, cold weather dress days are not automatically Spirit Days (unless the cold weather day in question falls on a Friday). Declaring a Cold Weather Dress Day is a whole school decision made in conjunction with the Lower and Upper School.

In cases of extreme cold weather, *the school notifies parents via an email on the day/evening before* if there is to be any change in the dress code for a particular day. On declared Cold Weather Dress Days, Middle School students are permitted to wear long jeans/denim pants (no denim shorts), with an appropriate dress code shirt (not a Spirit Day shirt).

Girls may wear red, black, or white tights/leggings with their uniforms. Yoga pants or tights/leggings worn alone are not acceptable dress code items as a replacement for pants or a skirt. If a student wishes to wear shorts (which is strongly discouraged), he or she should be in regular dress code shorts.

**Only outerwear from Lake Highland, or in Lake Highland dress code colors (red/black/white/gray), that is plain (void of wording/symbols/pictures) may be worn as needed indoors during the colder weather.**

***Athletic Attire:*** \_

Students exercising individually as part of a team sport while on campus or at LHPS-sponsored events are expected to maintain the same high standards of dress consistent with our culture and dress code. Clothing should be modest, well-fitting, appropriate for each particular activity, and free of any profanity, obscenities,

alcohol or drug references. **Males** are to wear shirts, with or without sleeves while on campus with the exception of the pool area. **Females** should wear appropriate outerwear, not use athletic bras as an outer-garment, and attire should include shirts with sleeves and that overlap the waist of their shorts or pants. Shorts should be of the appropriate length and fit properly. Swimwear should be one piece or have a cover that meets the hips. All clothing should cover the body in a modest manner.

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	<b>LADIES</b>		<b>MEN</b>		<b>ALL STUDENTS</b>
	<b>MON., TUES., &amp; THURSDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>MON., TUES., &amp; THURSDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY SPIRIT DAY</b>
<b>SHIRTS</b>	Dennis red, white, black, or grey LHPS Polo. No sports team or club polos.	Dennis white blouse with LHPS logo or white long or short sleeved blouse with LHP logo.	Dennis red, white, black, or grey LHPS Polo. No sports team or club polos.	Dennis white long or short sleeve button down oxford with LHPS logo, tucked-in. Dennis school tie.	LHPS Polo, LHP Spirit Day T-Shirts, or LHPS Team Jerseys. Spirit day shirts must fit properly. Tank tops and sleeveless tops are not permitted.
<b>SKIRT</b>	Dennis grey or black pleated skirt. Top of knee in length.	Dennis grey or black pleated or straight skirt. Top of knee in length.	N/A	N/A	Black, denim, khaki, or grey skirt. Top of knee in length.
<b>SHORTS</b>	Dennis black or grey shorts- <b>May be worn no shorter than mid-thigh and may not be rolled up or under.</b>	N/A	Dennis grey or black shorts	Shorts are <b>NOT</b> permitted	Denim, red, khaki, black or white <b>solid color</b> shorts. Must be <b>mid-thigh in length or longer. May not be rolled up or under.</b> No athletic shorts or bathing trunks permitted.

<b>SLACKS</b>	Dennis grey or black slacks	Dennis grey or black slacks	Dennis grey or black slacks	Dennis grey or black slacks	<b>Solid</b> color (see above) jeans are permitted. No overalls, oversized jeans, holes, patches or frayed ends permitted. No sweats, jeggings, jogging/yoga pants, drawstring waists, or slacks/jeans of stretchy fabric permitted.
<b>BELTS</b> Only solid black/cordovan/brown/white leather (flat or braided styles) or ribbon belts sold in The Source may be worn. If pants are loose fitting, or if the shirt is tucked in and if belt loops are visible, <b>a belt must be worn.</b>					
<b>SHOES</b> - No sandals, backless styles, slippers, or flip-flops.	Athletic Shoes, Toms, Docksidors or closed toe/heel dress shoes. Shoes must be worn as designed- Students are not to walk on collapsed heels.	Solid black, brown, grey, or cordovan leather shoe or dress shoe w/ closed toe & heels, <b>No higher than 2"</b> . No Toms or Docksidors. Students are not to walk on collapsed heels.	Athletic Shoes, Toms, Docksidors, or solid black or cordovan/brown leather dress shoe. Shoes must be worn as designed. Students are not to walk on collapsed heels.	Solid black, grey, or cordovan/brown leather dress shoe. No Toms or Docksidors. Students are not to walk on collapsed heels.	Athletic shoes, Toms or Docksidors. Shoes must be worn as designed- Students are not to walk on collapsed heels.
<b>SOCKS</b>	Solid color tights in black or skin tones may be worn, but are not required. Knee socks, fishnet or patterned stockings/tights are NOT permitted.			Socks must be worn, only dress socks. No white athletic socks.	
<b>OUTERWEAR</b>	Jackets and sweatshirts must be purchased exclusively through The Source. All outerwear worn on campus must be LHPS outerwear purchased from The Source, from LHPS athletic team or LHPS Arts. <b>Only outerwear from Lake Highland, or in Lake Highland dress code colors (red/black/white/gray), that is plain (void of wording/symbols/pictures) may be worn as needed indoors during the colder weather.</b>				