Dress Standards, Kindergarten, Grades 1-8

All students in Kindergarten and Grades 1 through 8 are required to participate in wearing Erie Day School dress standard apparel (as listed below).

Uniform Closet

Erie Day School provides our families with a uniform exchange program to help offset the cost and burden of maintaining a school uniform. EDS offers a uniform closet that contains new or gently used uniform pieces that are available at no cost to families. Please call the school office to set up an appointment to visit the uniform closet.

Things to remember when ordering Erie Day School dress code apparel from Lands' End: The Erie Day School logo is on file with **Lands' End.** The Erie Day School 'preferred school number' is **900037904**. *Hunter/classic navy plaid* is an option for skirts, jumpers, belts, headbands and ties. *Evergreen and white* are among the Erie Day School primary color selections for polo shirts (both long- and short-sleeve).

General Appearance

All boys and girls in Kindergarten and Grades 1-8 should demonstrate the following: all articles of clothing should fit properly, be clean, be pressed and in good condition; skirts, shorts and pants should be of appropriate length; and

hair must be clean, well-groomed (out of student's eyes and of appropriate length), and of *natural color* (i.e. blue, pink, gray, etc. are not "natural" colors). *Mohawk cuts or hairstyles of distraction will not be permitted.*

Dress Attire for Middle School Students

Middle School students are required to have 'dress attire' to wear on announced dates. Dress attire consists of a white or light blue oxford-style shirt, long or short-sleeved; a tie (hunter/classic navy plaid

from Lands' End, hunter green or navy blue); a khaki, navy blue or gray skirt or pants and dress standard shoes. Blazers in navy may be worn. This is your child's "best" looking school attire.

Shirts

- White, navy or light blue, evergreen, soapstone (dark gray) polo shirts with or without logo, long- or short-sleeved.
- White, navy or light blue, evergreen or soapstone turtle neck shirts, long-sleeved.
- White or light blue oxford-style shirts, long or short-sleeved are daily options for Middle School students and are noted as required 'dress attire' for specific events.
- Shirts must be of acceptable width and length.
- Shirts are to be tucked in and buttons buttoned, with the exception of the top button.
- Cuffs on long sleeved shirts must be buttoned or rolled.

- Shirts should be ironed or wrinkle free.
- NO *manufacturer's logos* (this includes Ralph Lauren, Nautica, Lacoste, etc.).

Sweaters and Sweatshirts

- Evergreen, white, light or navy blue, dark gray, off-white cardigans, with or without logo.
- Evergreen, navy, gray or white micro fleece half-zip pullovers, with or without logo, long-sleeved.
- Evergreen, navy, gray or white micro fleece full-zip fleece, with or without logo, no hood.
- Erie Day School sweatshirts with the three quarter-zip and logo are permitted.
- Hoodies and spirit wear are intended for "Dress Down Days" and participation in school trips or athletic events.

Pants

- Khaki, navy blue or gray pants are to be worn at waist.
- Leggings, stretch pants, cargo pants, or low-riding pants are not acceptable (including Dress Down Days).
- Brands with rivet construction/design are not permitted.

Shorts

- Khaki, navy blue, or gray Bermuda or walking shorts are preferred.
- Shorts with limited pockets are acceptable (no cargo shorts).
- Short length must be at a length of at least 2" below student's fingertips.
- Shorts may be worn April 15th through September 30th, weather pending.
- Shorts must be worn at waist level.

Skirts/Skorts

- Khaki, navy blue, gray, hunter/classic navy plaid from Lands' End skirts and skorts may be worn any day of the year.
- Length must be at least 2" below student's fingertips.
- Tight skirts are unacceptable.
- Tights are worn September 30th through April 15th and should be among the following colors: white, off-white, gray, navy, khaki, nude, or brown.
- All skirts are to be worn at waist.

Jumpers/Dresses

• Jumpers are approved apparel for girls in Kindergarten - Grade 4 and may be worn all year.

• Jumpers should be khaki, navy blue, gray, hunter green or hunter/classic navy plaid from Lands' End,

with or without logo.

Belts

- Belts should be navy blue, brown, black, or hunter/classic navy plaid from Lands' End.
- Where there are belt loops, a belt must be worn.
- Belt loops may not be cut from pants or skirts.

Socks

- Navy blue, black, white, off-white, gray, brown, or khaki socks (any print or pattern must be with the colors listed) should be worn.
- Girls are required to wear foldable ankle or knee socks.
- Boys are required to wear trouser socks or socks that cover the anklebone.
- Socks **must** be visible above the anklebone.
- Athletic socks (mid-calf) may be worn by girls and boys. The only permissible logo is the EDS school or Spartan.

Shoes

- Navy blue, black, or brown comfortable dress shoes are to be worn.
- Kindergarten students are encouraged to wear athletic sneakers of his/her color/style choice. Grades 1-4 may wear sneakers, if needed.
- Any shoes with ties must be tied.
- Heels must not exceed1/2".
- No shoes with wheels.
- Sperry brand shoes may be worn but side patterns must be kept to a minimum distraction.
- Sneakers, hiking boots, Birkenstocks, ballet slippers, clogs, high heels or shoes with opentoes are **not** permitted.

Accessories

Ties may be worn appropriately in the colors of navy blue, evergreen or hunter/classic navy plaid from Lands End. Ties are considered dress attire for Middle School students.

Hair accessories may include barrettes, hair ties or head bands in the following colors or color patterns: navy blue, white, off-white, gray, light blue, black, brown, khaki, and hunter/classic navy plaid from

Lands End. *Hair accessories should NOT be of distraction (i.e. flowers, jewels, etc.).* **Jewelry** may be worn in moderation. A watch, one ring, and one chain with a charm smaller than the size of a quarter may be worn. *One stud earring may be worn in each earlobe; otherwise accented piercings are not acceptable.* **Backpacks or totes** are the choice item for Toddler through Grade 8 students. Size is important to consider. Middle School students should NOT have luggage as a means of a bookbag.

"Dress Down Days"

"Dress Down Days" occur throughout the school year and are announced. Students are required to maintain appropriate dress standards, selecting conservative clothes for the school day (e.g. NO tight or excessively baggy clothing, sweatpants, excessive jewelry, mid-drift exposure, excessive pockets, etc.).

*Students are welcome to dress down on his/her birthday! Summer birthdays can be celebrated on an announced date of choice.

Physical Education Attire

• Preschool—Grade 4 students—sneakers only required, velcro fasteners for students that cannot tie.

• Grade 5 students—sneakers only required/ t-shirt, shorts or athletic pants optional.

- Grades 6—8 students—sneakers, t-shirt, shorts or athletic pants required.
- Tank tops are **not** allowed.
- T-shirts and shorts do not need to be a specific color or brand.