

Leading Edge Academy East Mesa Campus ELEMENTARY (K-6) DRESS CODE

The school uniform will be worn upon arrival to the school campus and until the student has departed from the campus.

The school uniform will be as follows:

Uniform Tops

Daily wear will be the official red, white, or navy blue polo shirts. If any shirts are worn under the polo shirts, they must be white. The graphic roadrunner t-shirt with art work created by students can be worn as a school uniform shirt Monday through Thursday. Shirts are encouraged to be tucked in when appropriate.

Uniform Pants, Skirts, and Jumpers

- Pants, shorts, skorts, and capris must be navy blue or khaki. Pants must be classic 'docker style' uniform or dress pants (no cargo pants, low rise/hip-hugger pants or with decoration). Length of shorts and skorts will be permitted if the bottom hem comes down to the mid-thigh when student is in a seated position (within three inches of knee standing). Tight/form-fitting, 'skinny pants', stretch pants, or bagging/sagging are not allowed. No frayed edges will be allowed.
- Skirts, and/or jumpers will be permitted if the bottom hem comes down to the mid-thigh when student is in a seated position (within three inches of knee standing). In the interest of modesty we encourage girls to wear shorts under their skirts or jumpers. No frayed edges will be allowed. Skirts or jumpers with decoration are also not allowed.
- Clothes must be neat, in good repair and not overly wrinkled.

Winter Wear

Red, white, or navy blue sweat shirts, sweaters, or jackets may be worn. These may be worn during class and while on campus. Any other winter wear may be worn to and from campus, however, they must be removed while in class and on campus. Long sleeve white cotton jersey shirts may be worn under uniforms at all times.

Uniform Shoes and Socks

Clean gym/tennis shoes or sandals with a back strap will be worn with the uniform. Gym/tennis shoes and shoe laces will be black, brown, dark navy, or white. Socks are to be worn with gym/tennis shoes at all times. Girls may wear solid white, navy, or black socks or tights. Boys may wear solid white, navy, or black socks. **Footwear must be worn at all times.**

Other Grooming & Dress Standards:

1. No hats, bandanas, or other head coverings may be worn. Girls may wear bows, barrettes, headbands, clips and scrunchies. Exception: Hats may be worn only on the playground and must be taken off when entering the building.
2. Students should be well groomed. Hair should not create a distraction. Streaking and other hair coloring treatments and styles may be considered out of dress code if teachers or administrators deem them distracting to learning. Exceptions may be made for plays, parties, or spirit days.
3. Tattoos (permanent or temporary) are not permitted to show.
4. Makeup is allowed for girls in sixth grade and up only. Distracting makeup, such as glitter, dark lipstick or eye shadow, loud nail colors, is not allowed.

5. Pierced jewelry may be worn only in the earlobes. Jewelry should be very moderate both in size and in amount and worn so as not to be a distraction. Other piercings or jewelry should not be showing.

General Dress Code for “Dress Down Days”

Fridays, and announced special occasions, will continue to be Dress Down Days. The Dress Code for Dress Down Days is as follows:

- **Baseball Caps or Hats** may be worn to and from school and during outside activities. They may not be worn inside any buildings. Hoodies and Hoods should not be worn over the head.
- **Shirts or T-shirts** must cover waistband of pants or stay tucked in to the waistband of pants with no midriff of lower back exposed at any time. On all shirts there will be no low necklines or low backs. The entire back and front must be covered and no underclothing may show. All shirts need to meet these standards regardless of additional shirts, jackets, blazers, or other outerwear worn over them. Inappropriate or obscene language, advertisements, or images including drugs, alcohol, tobacco, sex, nudity, occultism, or other possibly offensive symbols are not allowed on any shirt or other article of clothing. *Sleeveless, spaghetti strap, or tank tops are not allowed.*
- **Shorts** will be permitted if the bottom hem comes down to the mid-thigh when student is in a seated position (within three inches of the knee while standing). The hem of the shorts must reach the halfway point. Extreme baggy/saggy-style shorts showing underclothing or any midriff are not acceptable.
- **Pants** must be of an appropriate size for the person wearing them with no extreme baggy or sagging styles. Pants that are sagging low in the waist, crotch, or seat are not permitted. The width of the pant legs may not extend to the side of the student’s leg more than 5 inches at mid-thigh, 6 inches at mid-calf, or 8 inches at the ankle. The length of the pants should not drag below the sole of the shoe. Extremely tight pants that restrict movement are not permitted. Absolutely no underclothing may show.
- **Dresses and Skirts** must meet the same length standard as shorts and shirts. Spaghetti strap or sundress style dresses are not permitted. Jumpers worn with a sleeved shirt fall into the skirt and shirt category and are acceptable when following all length standards. Shorts *must* be worn underneath dresses, skirts, or jumpers on P.E. days.
- **Shoes/sandals** with a back strap are allowed. Flip-flops, house slippers, or any foot covering that appears to be unsafe for everyday activity are not allowed. ***Sneakers should be worn on P.E. days.***
- **Jewelry and Body Piercings** – pierced jewelry may be worn only in the earlobes. Jewelry should be very moderate both in size and in amount and worn so as not to be a distraction.
- **Hair** - Students should be well groomed. Hair should not create a distraction. Streaking and other hair coloring treatments and styles may be considered out of dress code if teachers or administrators deem them distracting to learning. Exceptions may be made for plays, parties, or spirit days.
- Tattoos (permanent or temporary) are not permitted to be showing.
- **Makeup** should be worn with modesty and not be a distraction.

*School personnel have the discretion to make the final decisions on inappropriate clothing. Students who do not comply with the dress and grooming standards will be sent to the office. One or more of the following disciplinary actions will be taken when necessary:

1. Warning: Parent will be notified with a phone call. Infraction notice will be sent home with the child. It is expected that the child not repeat the infraction.
2. Students will remain in office until an appropriate change of clothing is brought to school.
3. A parent conference will be scheduled after numerous infractions.
 4. Subject to the school’s discipline plan, continued disregard for the dress and/or grooming standards may result in suspension.

***If there is any doubt, **DO NOT** wear it or buy it!!!