

Uniform Policy

All Westerly students are expected to wear a uniform to school Monday–Thursday. The days below have been designated as uniform optional. If a student does not participate in the theme of the day, they are required to wear their Westerly uniform.

- Spirit Wednesday: Students have the option of wearing a Westerly “spirit” shirt with their uniform bottom.
- Friday: Free-dress day
- Spirit Days: Upon administrative approval, various spirit days (Halloween, Valentine’s Day, St. Patrick’s Day, Memorial Day) will be available throughout the year allowing free or themed dress attire.
- Birthday: One day per month will be designated by the homeroom teacher/advisor (MS) as a free-dress day for students celebrating a birthday during that month.

Students who come to school out of uniform will be subject to the school’s discipline procedures outlined in the Family Handbook.

Student Uniforms:

Bottoms:

- Khaki or navy colored Capri and long pants
 - No denim, leggings, athletic pants or ripped jeans may be worn
- Khaki or navy colored knee-length shorts (no denim), no shorter than the touch point of the student’s fingertip when arms are at their side (no frayed shorts)
- Khaki or navy colored skirts and skorts (no denim), no shorter than the touch point of the student’s fingertip when arms are at their side. Shorts must be worn under skirts and dresses at all times.
- Khaki or navy jumper (no denim)
- Khaki or navy colored leggings may be worn **underneath** other uniform apparel

Tops:

- Navy or heather-gray polo shirt, long and short sleeve (with or without the approved Westerly logo). White collared blouse is allowed when worn with jumpers only.
- Navy or heather-gray sweatshirt and sweater (crewneck, hooded, V-neck, or cardigan) with or without the logo
- Midriff should not be exposed with routine movement

Outerwear:

- Any color coat or jacket is acceptable but must be removed in the classroom. Sweaters or sweatshirts worn in the classroom must be blue or gray. No logos.
- Baseball caps and beanies are acceptable but must be removed in the classroom.

Additional notes:

- **Logos:** Non-Westerly logos on any articles of clothing are not permitted except for logos smaller than 1 square inch. This does not apply to Free Dress Friday.
- **Pants/Shorts:** Baggy or sagging pants/shorts are not permitted at any time.
- **Tops:** Midriff tops are not permitted at any time. Midriff should not be exposed with routine movement.

- **Hats & Hoods:** Baseball caps, knit caps, and hoods are to be removed in the classroom.
- **Earrings:** For safety reasons, earrings should be limited to small studs. Large hoop earrings or earrings that dangle are prohibited.

Shoe Policy: All students must wear closed-toe shoes, which fit firmly to the foot. Students must wear athletic shoes that tie or Velcro for sports and physical education classes. Students are not permitted to wear “beach-type” footwear, including flip flops, sandals or Crocs. Socks must be worn with shoes.

Uniform for Physical Education for Grades 4-8 (available through our online store): Students in grades 4-8 are required to change into a PE uniform before participating in physical education class. The required uniform is as follows:

- Navy blue mesh shorts
- Heather-gray basic tee (short sleeved) with Wildcat logo or any Westerly logo t-shirt
- Heather-gray sweatshirt (crew or hooded) with Wildcat logo – *optional*
- Navy blue sweatpants – *optional*
- Athletic shoes with socks – no ballet flats or slip-ons.

Spirit Wednesday (Optional): The “W” signature shirt or any Westerly shirt – must be worn with uniform bottoms. Spirit Wear may be purchased through our online store. Non-Westerly t-shirts will not be allowed on Wednesdays. Students not wearing spirit wear must wear their uniform.

Westerly Wear: Additional PE Uniforms (grades 4-8) and Spirit Wear may be purchased through our online store.

Free Dress: Fridays are non-uniform days and students may wear “free dress.” The School asks students and parents/guardians to use good judgment so that free dress is appropriate and is not a distraction. Ripped jeans and midriff tops are not allowed.

Guidelines for length of garment, shoes, and notes listed above still apply. In addition, t-shirts with inappropriate logos, pictures and/or language are not allowed at School.

Field Study/Trips: On field study days, students may be asked to wear a Westerly t-shirt or uniform unless instructed otherwise by their classroom teacher or field study coordinator.

Attire for Music Department Performances: The School expects students to dress appropriately for music performances. Look for information from your child’s homeroom teacher and Wildcat Weekly before the event.

Where to Purchase Uniforms:

School uniforms may be purchased at any retail establishment that carries school uniform clothing, including: Target, Macy’s, Children’s Place, JCPenney, Old Navy, Kohl’s, etc.

Below you will find information on vendors who embroider our school logo on uniforms purchased from their online store.

Lands’ End Uniform Information – For those families who wish to order from Lands’ End, you can call 1-800-469-2222 or order online. The **preferred school number is 900064080**. They have a list of all authorized uniform

components from which you may choose, they also donate 3% of all purchases to Westerly. Please note that the color “navy” is stated as classic navy, which is correct. Lands’ End has our school logo on file.

French Toast Uniform Information – French Toast is an online option available for parents/guardians. To order, please visit their website and enter Westerly’s school code **Q5WDWD** or simply follow the prompts to access the school code.

Red Eye Media – PE Uniforms and Spirit Wear may be purchased through our online store with Red Eye Media.

Uniform Corrective Action Steps & Accidents

If accidents occur during the school day, students will have access to extra uniforms in the main office. Kindergarten students are required to bring in an extra change of clothes which will be stored in their classroom. In the event a student borrows a uniform, notification is sent home and families are asked to wash and return loaner uniform within one week.

Students arriving to school out of uniform will be directed to administration. If available, students will be provided appropriate uniform attire which must be returned the following day. Families may be charged if the uniform is not returned. If no appropriate uniform is available, parents/guardians may be called to bring a uniform to school.

First offense – Verbal reminder *(K-3 students will also have an email sent home)*

Second offense – Email home reminding families of Uniform Policy and provide notice of continued offense

Third offense – Parent/Guardian Conference and loss of campus privilege including, but not limited to loss of Spirit Day, Free Dress Day, or lunch/recess.

Fourth offense and up – Noted on students permanent record