

Spring Valley Academy Dress Code Policy (Updated July 2024)

Reasons for Policy

1. Our dress code provides consistent modesty and appropriateness, free from the current extremes of fashion.
2. Our dress code encourages a sense of belonging and unity, free from the effects of socio-economic factors.
3. Our dress code promotes an atmosphere of learning, free from any distractions of attire.
4. Our dress code allows our students to be dressed safely, free to learn and play.

General Guidelines:

It is the parent's responsibility to make sure the child comes to school appropriately dressed. With this purpose, updates have been made to SVA's dress code so that uniforms are easily accessible to all families at local stores or online. (A variety of acceptable styles and material blends are available on the [SVA Lands' End catalog](#). This catalog can also be used as a reference guide at other stores.)

- All attire should be of appropriate size and fit — not too tight, too baggy, or too short showing midriff when arms are raised
- Undergarments should not be visible.
- Attire must be clean, neat, and in good repair at all times, free from rips, stains, and holes.
- *Jewelry is not worn at school, or while participating in any school function, on or off campus.* ○ Jewelry: earrings, nose rings, bracelets/wristbands, necklaces, rings, chokers, etc.

If a Student Is Out of Dress Code:

Any violation of the Dress Code that cannot be corrected on campus will require students to have parents bring the appropriate dress item to school, or the student to go home and make the correction.

- Parents/guardians will be contacted, and students waiting for their parents to bring the correct dress items will need to wait in the front office or other designated area.
- Once the dress code correction has been made, students may return to class.
- Repeated Dress Code violations become an insubordination issue which may result in additional disciplinary action.
- All class tardies and absences due to Dress Code violations will be unexcused.

Shirts

- Students may wear long or short-sleeved polo shirts in the following colors:
 - True blues, including navy blues, cobalt or royal or deep royal blues, light blues, and dark blues. (Shades that may appear teal, aquamarine, turquoise, or blue-green are *not* acceptable.)
 - Grays. (light, dark, or heather)
 - Yellows. (gold or light yellow. Neon or highlighter yellow is not acceptable.)
- Students may wear a long-sleeved t-shirt under short sleeves. No stripes, patterns, or embellishments are allowed. Undershirts may be blue, gray, yellow, white, or black.
- No neon colors.
- Shirts are not to have stripes, embellishments, or cuff or collar stripes.
- Logos or insignias (name brand swooshes, or symbols) of any kind are not allowed, with the exception of the SVA logo which is available for purchase at Lands' End School. The SVA logo is not required.

Pants and Shorts

- Bottoms should be solid color in khaki (tan), navy blue, or black
- The style should be either **chino/dock**er style or **jeans**.
- No jersey or jersey blends of any type.
- No mesh, gym shorts, joggers, spandex/lycra, or sweatpant-type materials
- All dress items should be of appropriate size and fit — not too tight, too baggy, or too short showing midriff when arms are raised
- Undergarments should not be visible.
- Attire must always be clean, neat, and in good repair, free from rips, stains, and holes.
- No embellishments, rips, holes, patterns, stripes, contrasting trim, or fading.
- Bermuda-length shorts (no more than three inches above the top of the knee) in chino-type material, “performance” polyester blends chinos, or denim in solid khaki, navy blue, or black are allowed.
- Cargo shorts are allowed for boys.
- Right above-the-knee length shorts are allowed for girls in grades K-4.

Fridays:

- Students in gr. 1-4 who are in gymnastics may wear solid-colored blue or gray sweatpants or gym shorts on Friday.

Outerwear:

- Students in grades K-8 must have their name written in their outerwear.
- Lost outerwear will be held for one week and then turned over to the H&S resale shop.
- Outerwear must be one single color. No two-toned designs, stripes, piping, trim, logos, or embellishments.
- No cropped or oversized outerwear, including long-length cardigans.
- Acceptable outerwear styles:
 - Solid gray or true blue crew neck pull-over or sweatshirt worn with polo collar showing over the top edge.
 - Full-zipper hoodie jacket in gray or true blue
 - Full zipper fleeces in gray or true blue (no pull-over fleeces)
 - Full button-up or zipper-close cardigan, crewneck, or v-neck in gray or true blue.
 - Full zipper SVA-issued sports team jackets
 - SVA letterman jackets

Monday-Thursday: Aside from the pullover crewneck sweatshirt with a visible polo collar folded over the neckline, all outerwear should be easily removable with a full zip or button closure. Logos or insignias (name brand swooshes, or symbols) of any kind are not allowed, with the exception of the SVA logo which is available for purchase at Lands' End School. The SVA logo is not required.

Friday: Pullover hoodies of all kinds, (SVA-organization issued or Lands' End) are only allowed on Fridays.

Acceptable Shirt Color Examples

True Blues



Grays



Yellows



Not Acceptable Colors:



Acceptable Bottoms Examples

Chino-style pants, denim pants and Bermuda shorts: Navy, Black, Khaki/Tan. Grade K-4 girls may wear right-above-the-knee skorts in navy, black, and khaki.



Acceptable Outerwear Examples

Crewnecks: any true blue or gray (see shirt colors)



Button-up or zip-up hoodie, fleece, or cardigan: any true blue or gray (see shirt colors)

