



Dress Code Policy

Rationale

At Tallahassee Classical School, scholars wear uniforms to foster a sense of community and school pride, eliminate distractions, diminish economic and social indicators, and as a reminder that the community of TCS is doing important work.

The spirit of the uniform policy is that scholars will dress and groom themselves in a manner that is traditional, not obstructive, and not distracting.

Scholars will dress according to the mandatory and optional items listed on the board-approved uniform policy for boys and girls, respectively, plus the following series of directives. All uniform criteria are listed on the Tallahassee Classical School website.

Archers on point!

Requirements by Grade

The following items are required, however, there are additional options on the TCS Uniform Store on the French Toast website. If it is available under your scholar's grade, then it is an acceptable piece.

Grammar School (K-5):

- Green polo tops with TCS logo
- Khaki or navy-blue bottoms – pants, shorts, skirts, or skorts
- Polo dress (K-2 only) and jumper or skirts/skorts from the French Toast website are approved for girls. A white button-down shirt may be worn with the jumper or a skirt.
- Forest green or navy-blue TCS logo sweaters, if needed

Logic School (6-8):

- Navy blue polo shirts with TCS logo
- Khaki or navy-blue shorts or pants
- Skirts from the TCS French Toast Uniform Store website are approved for girls.
- Forest green or navy-blue TCS logo sweaters, if needed

Rhetoric School (9-12):

- White Oxford shirts with TCS logo
- Navy blue cross tie for girls and plaid tie for boys can be purchased from TCS and must be worn on formal days.
- Khaki or navy-blue pants
- Skirts from the French Toast website are approved for girls
- Navy blue blazer must be worn on formal days

Logic and Rhetoric School Physical Education:

- Forest green or navy-blue TCS French Toast Uniform Store shorts with gray TCS logo shirts must be worn. Proper athletic shoes and socks are also required.

Spirit Wear and Dress Down Days:

Tallahassee Classical School will host Spirit Days on the last Friday of every month. The dates are located on the school calendar. Scholars may wear TCS-related spirit wear with jean pants or fingertip-length shorts (Grammar and Logic School only). Non-uniform days may be held for special occasions and scholars must wear appropriate clothing that adheres to the Leon County dress code.

Everyday Uniform Requirements for All Grades

All scholars must always be in uniform (unless approved by the administration). No other clothing other than uniform tops and bottoms is permitted. No outside tops, jeans, bottoms, or outerwear are permitted in the building.

All uniform items must be purchased from the French Toast Uniform Company. Land's End items will be grandfathered in for the life of the garment (must be in good condition, no tears, stains or discoloration). If the item is shown for your scholar's grade level, it is grade-appropriate for the scholar.

- All **shirts** must always be tucked in. · All girls' and boys' polo shirts may have the top button unbuttoned. All other buttons must be buttoned.

- Navy blue or white **socks or stockings**. Socks must be worn every day, no matter the type of shoe.

- Solid black, gray, navy, forest green, or white **leggings** may be worn under dresses and skirts in cold weather.

- Solid black, navy, forest green, or white **long-sleeve shirts** may be worn under uniform shirts in cold weather.

- A solid-colored black or brown **belt** must be worn with pants or shorts (Kindergarten excluded).

- **Skorts/skirts/dresses and shorts** must be at least fingertip length and **pants** must not be too tight. Blue or black shorts should be worn under all skirts and dresses for Grammar School scholars.

- **Shoes** may be a combination of the following colors: black, brown, white, navy blue, or forest green. Refer to the uniform board on the website for examples.

- **No boots** of any length may be worn.

- Scholars may use any **backpack and lunchbox** if it is clean and tasteful. No sequins, characters, or sayings are permitted. For example, they may have geometric shapes, flowers, and stripes. Please write the scholar's name inside the backpack.

Scholars may wear their own **outerwear (coats, sweaters)** outside of the school building and on the playground. If they are cold in the classroom, they must wear one of the long sleeve uniform items, or one of the uniform outerwear items.