



2026-27
Uniform & Appearance
Guidelines for PreK-12

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Uniforms at Covenant

From its very founding in 1997, Covenant has always had uniform and appearance guidelines in place. These policies were established to nurture students with modest and disciplined characters, help them resist peer pressure, reduce friction between students over social status or popularity, and to promote a pleasant and orderly tone within the school. Our uniform policy helps to create an atmosphere where students and teachers can focus on learning rather than worrying about appearances.

Parents have an important role in helping to make our uniform guidelines a blessing to students and the school. Learning to abide by the uniform standard helps a student to learn humility by considering the interests of others (Phil 2:3-4). Please help us cultivate a joyful and peaceful atmosphere by helping your student recognize apparel choices that may distract their classmates. Our goal is to minimize distractions so that our students can focus on the important work of learning to love to learn.

Please use this guide as a resource when you shop for your uniform items or when you have a question about how an item should be worn. We hope the pictures and descriptions will make our guidelines easy to navigate and follow.

Student Appearance Guidelines

1. These guidelines are intended to serve our students by encouraging an orderly and dignified atmosphere for learning. These guidelines are not exhaustive and may be supplemented by Covenant administrators if need arises. Student appearance is characterized by modesty, cleanliness, neatness, and propriety. Students adhere to general appearance guidelines and uniform requirements upon entering the school building and while in the school building between 7:30 am and 3:30 pm.
2. **Hair** is clean and neatly combed out of the eyes. Hair colors should be natural; unnatural hair colors (e.g., blue, pink, etc.) are not permitted. **Hair adornments** such as headbands or hair bands are solid, neutral colors, or school plaid. Feathers, wraps, tinsels, and multi-color ribbons are not to be worn in the hair.
3. Young men are expected to be cleanly shaven or to maintain neat and defined **facial hair**, not an unshaven appearance. Hair length is kept at or above the eyebrows and the top of the collar of the shirt. Hair accessories or ties are not permitted for boys. Hair styles that are likely to attract excessive attention or to be distracting to other students are not permitted (e.g. mohawk, long spikes, designs, etc.).
4. **Jewelry** is minimal and does not involve body piercings with the exception of girls' ears. Girls may wear small, tasteful earrings; low-dangling or distracting earrings are not permitted.
5. Upper School girls may wear **makeup** of natural colors that does not call undue attention. Grammar School girls may wear pale pink or clear fingernail polish and pale lip gloss only. Boys may not wear makeup or nail polish. For all students, skin is natural with no visible pen markings, washable, or permanent tattoos.
6. Faculty and staff members interpret and enforce appearance guidelines and may grant exceptions when warranted. Students who fail to adhere to appearance guidelines are given a warning and parents are emailed an "Out of Uniform" notification. After the first infraction, students may receive disciplinary action including silent lunch or not attending class until the problem has been corrected. Students who do not follow appearance guidelines for a field trip or school event **may not be permitted to participate**.

General Dress Code Guidelines

We appreciate parents' understanding and support of the dress code and its enforcement since it often requires a subjective decision to be made by administrators and teachers regarding the appropriateness of an item. Due to changing trends and fads, Covenant may update these guidelines during the school year.

Covenant Best

- Grammar School students wear the Covenant Best Uniform on the last Thursday of every month.
- Upper School students wear the Covenant Best uniform every Thursday.
- Covenant Best is also worn for special events such as the first day of school, Grandparents Day, seasonal concerts, and most field trips. The Daily Wear uniform is worn on non-Covenant Best days.

How to Wear Uniforms

- Any student in the building after 7:30AM must be in their school uniform.
- **All uniform items should be labeled inside with the student's name.**
- Shirts must be worn tucked into the skirt or pants in such a way that the belt or waistband is visible. Recess and fitness classes are exceptions.
- Shirts may have, at most, the top button left unfastened.
- Undershirt/Undergarments: Students may only wear a white t-shirt under their uniform shirt. Any other colored t-shirt is not permitted. Undergarments (eg. bra straps and camisole straps) should not be visible.
- If a uniform item has belt loops, it is to be worn with a belt (students in grades 3rd-12th only).
- On extremely hot days, Grammar School boys may remove sweater vests prior to recess.
- Upper School students may remove cardigans, sweater vests, and blazers outside at the teacher's discretion.
- Jumpers and skirts should touch the knee. Parents may contact the front office to purchase a used item (if available) or purchase a new item in the appropriate length when needed throughout the school year.

Socks and Shoes

- Covenant **does not** consider the following footwear acceptable for either Covenant Best or daily wear: moccasins or slipper-type shoes, deck/boat shoes, boots, light-up shoes, clogs or open back shoes, sandals or open toe shoes or canvas footwear (i.e. Toms).
- Sneakers must be predominantly or entirely white or black (no gray). No neon allowed on shoes or soles. No canvas or hi-top sneakers allowed (i.e. Keds, Chuck Taylors).
- Sneakers and dress shoes should have non-marking soles for indoor recess.
- Socks must be worn daily. All socks must be solid, approved colors and free of conspicuous insignias or designs.
- In cold weather, girls may wear leggings (GS) or navy tights (All) in place of knee socks. However, knee socks without leggings are required for designated events (e.g., Concerts, Grandparents Day, etc.).
- We suggest shoes for Grammar School girls should have little to no heel and a strap so that the students are still able to play at recess without trouble.

Miscellaneous

- Uniform items should be worn in clean and repaired condition.
- "Covenant Best" represents the basic uniform and may be worn every day. Parents need to only buy items listed under *Covenant Best* and *Fitness* to meet school requirements. However, for convenience and comfort, parents may elect to purchase any of the Daily Wear items.
- *Covenant Best* and colored Daily Wear items must be purchased from FlynnO'Hara (FOH) or Lands' End (LE). White items in the Daily Wear uniform can be purchased from any source as long as they are the same style as the FOH or LE item. Students may only wear non-uniform sweaters, jackets, etc. during recess or when a class meets outside.
- On designated Jeans-for-a-Dollar days, students may wear modest, plain blue jeans or overalls with no adornments, rips or tears, along with a Covenant uniform shirt or an unaltered Covenant spirit-wear shirt. Skinny jeans or jeggings are not permitted. Students may also choose to wear their favorite pair of shoes for an additional dollar. Please no light-up shoes or shoes that make noise. For Grammar School students, the shoes must be closed-toe and closed-heel for safety while playing.
- On Spirit Days, students may wear any Covenant t-shirt or sweatshirt. A Covenant t-shirt or sweatshirt includes logo-bearing items such as the PE uniform t-shirt, apparel from the Covenant general or athletic stores, and gold/navy/white apparel created for participation in a Covenant-sponsored activity or athletic event.
- In the Grammar School, supplies and personal items (e.g., lunch boxes, water bottles, backpacks, athletic bags, etc.) are not adorned with stickers, embellishments (e.g., sequins, feathers), or "pop culture" images. Items are plain colors, simple patterns, or designs that reflect the natural world. No rolling backpacks.

Grammar School Girls (K-6) Covenant BEST

Covenant Best is the required minimum that students need.
These pieces may also be worn as part of the Daily Wear uniform.

Hair accessories should be the
Covenant plaid or neutral-colored

Long sleeve Peter Pan
collar blouse; white

Plaid Jumper
(FOH Style #94, Plaid #45)

*Jumpers should be worn with navy or black bike shorts
under the jumper for modesty*

White knee socks (any source)*

**In cold weather, girls may wear leggings or navy tights
in place of knee socks. Knee socks without leggings are
required for designated events (e.g., Concerts,
Grandparents Day).*

Solid black, brown, or navy dress shoes (upper and
sole; any source)

We suggest shoes with little to no heel and a strap for
play at recess.



Grammar School Girls (K-6) DAILY WEAR OPTIONS



Plaid Jumper
(FOH Style #94, Plaid
#45)

Navy or black bike shorts worn
under jumper for modesty (any
source)



Long or short sleeve cotton
polo; white or navy (LE or
FOH)



Long sleeve oxford
dress shirt; white
(any source)



Cardigan sweater; navy
(FOH #1001)



Classic plain or pleated
chinos; navy (LE) or Flat
Front Slacks; navy (FOH).
(Nov. 1 - Apr. 1 only)



Leggings; navy (LE or FOH)
(Leggings are
permitted in cold
weather)



Full or half zip fleece
jacket with school logo
(logo mandatory); navy
(LE or FOH)



Plain leather belt; solid
black or brown (any
source)

Girls in 3rd-6th must wear
belts when wearing pants



Opaque tights;
navy (any source)



Knee socks; white or navy (any source)

Above-ankle crew socks (with athletic shoes
only); solid white or black (any source)



Athletic shoes: solid white or black
sneakers (any source) Logo or stripes in
opposite color are acceptable

No neon on shoes or soles

VENDOR KEY

LE = Lands' End

FOH = FlynnO'Hara

Grammar School Boys (K-6) Covenant BEST

Covenant Best is the required minimum that students need. These pieces may also be worn as part of the daily wear options.

Plaid Tie (FOH #45) or
Plaid Bow Tie (front office
or knottire.com using promo
code COVENANT)

Long sleeve oxford dress shirt;
white (LE or FOH)

V-neck sweater vest; navy (FOH #6600)

Twill pants (FOH) or pleat/
plain chinos (LE); khaki

Solid black or brown dress shoes (upper
and sole; any source)

Grammar school boys may wear rubber-
soled dress shoes, as long as the upper
and sole are either black or brown.

Solid black, navy or brown non-athletic
dress socks (any source)



Grammar School Boys (K-6) DAILY WEAR OPTIONS



Long or short sleeve cotton polo; white or navy (LE or FOH)

V-neck or crew neck sweater;
navy (LE or FOH)



Classic plain or pleated chino
shorts (LE or FOH)

Full or half zip fleece
jacket with school logo
(logo mandatory); navy
(LE or FOH)

(Before Nov. 1 and after April
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Twill classics (FOH) or pleat/plain
front chinos (LE); khaki



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Plain leather belt; solid
black or brown (any
source)

Athletic shoes: solid white or black sneakers (any
source) Logo or stripes in opposite
color are acceptable. No neon on shoes or soles

Boys in 3rd-6th grade must
wear a belt

Above-ankle crew socks (with athletic shoes only); solid
white, navy or black (any source)

Dialectic Girls (7th-9th) Covenant BEST

Covenant Best is the required minimum that students need. These pieces may also be worn as part of the daily wear options.

Hair accessories should be the
Covenant plaid or neutral-colored

V-neck sweater vest; navy
(FOH #6600)

Long sleeve oxford dress shirt; white
(LE #528924 and FOH)

Extra-length plaid skirt
(FOH Style #34, Plaid #61)

White knee socks (any source)

Solid black, brown, or navy dress shoes
(upper and sole; any source)



Dialectic Girls (7th-9th) DAILY WEAR OPTIONS



Long or short sleeve cotton polo; white or navy (LE or FOH)



Short sleeve oxford dress shirt; white (LE or FOH)



V-neck or crew neck sweater; navy (LE or FOH)

(Sweaters may be worn over uniform shirt)



Extra-length plaid skirt (FOH Style #34, Plaid #61)



Classic plain or pleated chinos; navy (LE) or Flat Front Slacks; navy (FOH). (Nov. 1 - Apr. 1 only)



Full or half zip fleece jacket with school logo (logo mandatory); navy (LE or FOH)



Plain leather belt; solid black or brown (any source)



Opaque tights; navy (any source)



Athletic shoes: solid white or black sneakers (any source) Logo or stripes in opposite color are acceptable.

No neon on shoes or soles



Knee socks; white or navy (any source)

Above-ankle crew socks; solid white (with athletic shoes only) or black (any source)

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FOH = FlynnO'Hara

Dialectic Boys (7th-9th) Covenant BEST

Covenant Best is the required minimum that students need. These pieces may also be worn as part of the daily wear options.

Long sleeve oxford dress shirt;
white (LE or FOH)

Plaid Tie (FOH #45) or
Plaid Bow Tie (front office
or knottire.com using promo
code COVENANT)

Navy Poly Blazer: Blazers may be obtained
from any source provided that the color and
style is indistinguishable from the FOH and
LE blazers.

Twill pants (FOH) or pleat/plain
chinos (LE); khaki

Plain, solid leather belt; black or
brown (any source)

Solid black or brown dress shoes (upper and sole; any
source)

Solid black, navy or brown non-athletic dress socks (any
source)



Dialectic Boys (7th-9th) DAILY WEAR OPTIONS



Long or short sleeve cotton polo; white or navy (LE or FOH)

V-neck or crew neck sweater; navy (FOH #6500 or #6530)

(Sweaters may be worn over uniform shirt)



Twill classics (FOH) or pleat/ plain front chinos (LE); khaki



Classic plain or pleated chino shorts (LE or FOH)

(Before Nov. 1 and after April 1)



Full or half zip fleece jacket with school logo (logo mandatory); navy (LE or FOH)



Plain leather belt; solid black or brown (any source)



Athletic shoes: solid white or black sneakers (any source) Logo or stripes in opposite color are acceptable. No neon on shoes or soles

Above-ankle crew socks; solid white (with athletic shoes only) or black (any source)

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FOH = FlynnO'Hara

Rhetoric Girls (10th-12th) Covenant BEST

Covenant Best is the required minimum that students need. These pieces may also be worn as part of the daily wear options.

Long sleeve oxford dress shirt; white
(LE #528924 and FOH)

Cardigan sweater; navy (FOH #1001)

Extra-length plaid skirt
(FOH Style #34, Plaid #61)

White knee socks (any source)

Solid black, brown, or navy dress shoes
(upper and sole; any source)



Rhetoric Girls (10th-12th) DAILY WEAR OPTIONS



Short sleeve oxford dress shirt;
white (LE or FOH)



V-neck (LE 510800) or crew
neck sweater (FOH); navy

(Sweaters may be worn over
uniform shirt)



Full or half zip fleece jacket with
school logo (logo mandatory); navy
(LE)



Classic plain or pleated
chinos; navy (LE) or Flat
Front Slacks; navy (FOH).
(Nov. 1 - Apr. 1 only)



Extra-length plaid skirt
(FOH Style #34, Plaid
#61)



Plain leather belt; solid black
or brown (any source)



Knee socks; white or
navy (any source)



Opaque tights;
navy (any source)



Dress shoes; solid black,
brown, or navy (upper
and sole; any source)

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Rhetoric Boys (10th-12th) Covenant BEST

Covenant Best is the required minimum that students need.
These pieces may also be worn as part of the daily wear options.

Long sleeve oxford dress shirt;
white (LE or FOH)

Tie. Each grade chooses a class tie
they will wear:

Class of 2027: FOH 3-STs
Class of 2028: FOH 3-SPARTA
Class of 2029: FOH 3-WC

Navy Poly Blazer: Blazers may be obtained
from any source provided that the color
and style is indistinguishable from the
FOH and LE blazers.

Twill pants (FOH) or pleat/plain front
chinos (LE); khaki

Plain, solid leather belt; black or brown (any source)

Solid black or brown dress shoes (upper and sole;
any source)

Solid black, navy or brown non-athletic dress socks
(any source)



Rhetoric Boys (10th-12th) DAILY WEAR OPTIONS



Twill classics (FOH) or
pleat/ plain front chinos
(LE); khaki



Long or short sleeve
button down collar oxford
shirt; white or light blue
(FOH or LE #458479)



Full or half zip fleece jacket with
school logo (logo mandatory); navy
(LE or FOH)



V-neck or crew neck sweater;
navy (FOH #6500 or #6530)

(Sweaters may be worn over
uniform shirt)



Solid black or brown dress shoes (upper and sole; any source)

Solid black, navy or brown non-athletic dress socks (any
source)



Plain, solid leather
belt; black or
brown (any source)

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Covenant Best Shoes

Covenant Best dress shoes may be purchased from any store. Pictured shoes represent examples of acceptable styles. Grammar school students should choose more versatile dress shoes for play. Grammar school girls shoes that are strapless or dress shoes with heels are not recommended; grammar school boys may wear rubber-soled dress shoes, as long as the upper and sole are either black or brown.



K-9 Daily Wear Shoes

Students in K-9 may wear sneakers as part of their daily wear uniform. Sneakers must be solid white or black (any source). Logo or stripes in opposite color are acceptable. Canvas sneakers or shoes with colored or neon trim, insignias, or markings are not permitted.



The following footwear is not acceptable with any uniform: boots, moccasins, slippers, deck/boat shoes, light-up shoes, hi-top or mid-top sneakers, clogs, open backs, sandals, canvas footwear (i.e. Keds, Chuck Taylors, Toms), or athletic-soled dress shoes. No neon on shoes or soles. Socks must be solid black or white free of conspicuous insignias or designs.

Below are examples of non-acceptable footwear:



Physical Education Uniform for Boys & Girls

Physical education (PE) uniforms are purchased at the front office. PE uniforms are required for participation in PE beginning in 4th grade and must be worn on the first and all subsequent class periods. No other athletic wear is permitted in PE, except in the case of an outdoor class held in cold weather (solid gray or Covenant sweatshirt; navy, black, or gray jogging pants).



Girls' Navy Mesh Shorts

Boys' Navy Mesh Shorts

Women's Navy Mesh Shorts

Men's Navy Mesh Shorts



Grammar School students should wear solid white or black sneakers (any source) Logo or stripes in opposite color are acceptable. No neon on shoes or soles.

Upper School students may wear quality running or athletic shoes in any style.

- On the first day of gym class, students will label their PE t-shirts with their last name for easy identification.
Students may wear a solid gray sweatshirt or any Covenant hoodie or sweatshirt when gym class is held outside in cooler weather.

- Navy, black, or gray sweat or jogging pants. Pants may have a stripe on the "out-seam" or an insignia.

*Please note girls in K-3rd grades must have on PE shorts in order to take their jumpers off for gym class. They may stay in the jumpers for gym class if they desire.

The 5 Most Common Uniform Violations

Shoes

Canvas sneakers (i.e. Keds, Chuck Taylors) or shoes with colored or neon trim, insignias, or markings on the upper or sole are not permitted. The daily wear uniform for grades K-9 includes solid black or white athletic shoes (upper and sole) only.



Hair Accessories

No feathers, wraps, tinsel, ribbons, sparkles, logos, patterns, or beading are permitted. Girls may wear plain headbands or hair bands in a solid, neutral color or the school plaid.

Visible Undergarments

White t-shirts only may be worn under uniform shirts; colored t-shirts may not be worn. Undergarments such as bra straps or camisoles should not be visible.



Belt

Students in grades 3-12 must wear a solid black or brown belt with pants; canvas belts are not permitted.

Jumper & Skirt Length

Jumpers and skirts should touch the knee. Parents may contact the front office to purchase a used item (if available) or purchase a new item in the appropriate length when needed.

Pre-K Appearance Code

Clothing for pre-kindergarten students should reflect a wholesome Christian testimony in every way and encourage dressing independence. There is not an official uniform for Pre-K, but these guidelines should help as you make clothing decisions for your student. All items should be easy to manipulate by the child, simple, comfortable, appropriately sized, washable, and weather friendly. Outfits should not draw undue attention to the student. Excessive decorations like jewelry, ribbons, zippers, or snaps on clothing can distract children. Please do not send your student to school in expensive or precious apparel. Hair should be neat and orderly. Please do not allow your child to come to school with temporary tattoos, dangling earrings or colored hair. Here are additional guidelines for clothing:

Tops & Shirts

- o Must be free of pop-culture characters.
- o Must be modest and cover the shoulders completely. No tank tops or crop tops.

Pants & Shorts

- o Shorts must be of modest length and only worn when weather-appropriate.
- o Elastic waist pants and shorts are easiest for children when using the bathroom.
- o No belts, please.
- o Pants should be easy to play, sit or stretch in.

Skirts & Dresses

- o Shorts must be worn under skirts and dresses for modesty.
- o No spaghetti strap dresses.

Socks & Shoes

- o We prefer sneakers without ties. Velcro closures make shoes easier to slip on and take off.
 - o Shoes must be non-marking and closed-toe. No flip-flops, sandals, or clogs/Crocs.
 - o Socks must be worn with shoes.
 - o No light-ups, wheels, or neon colors.
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Uniform Suppliers

LANDS' END

Preferred School

Covenant is a Preferred School with Lands' End. To log onto the Covenant shop on the Lands' End Web site:

1. Visit www.landsend.com
2. Click on School
3. Click on Shop By School
4. Enter Covenant's School Number: 900034737
5. Enter the appropriate information.

GUARANTEED.PERIOD.® If you're not satisfied with any item, simply return it to Lands' End at any time for an exchange or refund of its purchase price. Lands' End items can be returned to any Sears store.

Don't forget to purchase Lands' End SCRIP cards when making purchases. Contact Carolyn.Haas@DiscoverCovenant.com for more information.

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Store Hours

Monday 10:00AM-7:00PM
Tuesday 10:00AM-6:00PM
Wednesday 10:00AM-6:00PM
Thursday CLOSED
Friday CLOSED
Saturday 10:00AM-5:00PM
Sunday CLOSED

Store hours subject to change.

FlynnO'Hara stocks a large number of Covenant uniform pieces in a large selection of sizes. Pieces can also be ordered.
