## A Place to Grow Childcare - Uniform Policy

Wearing uniforms can improve learning by reducing distraction, sharpening focus on schoolwork and making the classroom a more serious environment thereby allowing students to perform better academically. Wearing uniforms gives students a sense of belonging. It teaches children to take pride in their appearance and prepares parents and students for elementary school, where they most likely will continue to wear uniforms.

All children are required to wear uniforms DAILY. Uniforms can be found at most local department stores. Uniforms may also be ordered on-line through multiple department stores. It is important that children come to school appropriately dressed and in uniform at all times. Uniforms must be in good repair (no tears, missing buttons, broken zippers). Keep in mind that occasionally, clothing can become stained as children need to feel free to explore and experiment.

Please understand that if your child is in violation of the dress code, they will not be admitted into care. Disregard of dress code may result in termination of services. Your support of the uniform dress code in the classroom is appreciated.

## Girls

Our young ladies will wear standard khaki pants, shorts, jumpers, skirts, skorts, or dresses. Tights, shorts, or leggings MUST be worn underneath. Either a royal blue or spruce green polo shirt must be worn. Tank tops and T-shirts ONLY are NOT appropriate uniforms. Leggings only and sweatpants are NOT appropriate uniforms.



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Our young men will wear standard khaki pants or shorts with a royal blue or spruce green polo. T-shirts ONLY are NOT appropriate uniforms. Sweatpants are NOT appropriate uniforms.



## Shoes

Children are required to wear well fitting, closed-toe shoes at all times. Shoes that do not fit well may result in injury. Tennis shoes and rubber-soled dress shoes are recommended. Velcro closure shoes are preferred as they will avoid accidents from untied laces. Opened toe shoes, sandals, crocs and slippers are NOT allowed.

## Other

- Uniforms must be in good repair (no tears, missing buttons, broken zippers).
- Keep beads, barrettes and bows to a minimum. They are a choking hazard.
- Children should not wear expensive jewelry. Teachers and staff will not be responsible for lost items.
- No belts.
- During winter months, please remember to dress your child with appropriate winter clothing, such as hats, gloves, and scarves.