



Zion Lutheran School Dress Code (being implemented for the 2020-21 school year)

Zion Lutheran School provides a Christ-centered approach to education, and we desire to glorify God in all that we say or do, including in our “outward adornment.” We believe that student growth, development, and learning is best achieved when a sense of Christian decorum and modesty is maintained.

Therefore, Zion Lutheran School will be instituting a standardized dress policy for the 2020-2021 school year in grades kindergarten through eight. This policy encourages standardized dress that reflects our pride and joy as those made in the image of God and bearing witness to our Savior, Jesus Christ.

In addition to maintaining a Christ-centered environment, research in this area shows that standardized dress for students can:

- Instill a greater sense of personal and school pride
- Allow teachers and administrators to spend more time on teaching, learning, and building relationships
- Reduce distractions during the school day for students
- Assist in maintaining discipline
- Help promote a positive identity on our campus and in our surrounding community
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Zion’s Standardized Dress Code

- **Tops:**
 - Plain polo-style or oxford-style shirt or blouse (white, navy, royal blue, light blue, and yellow)
 - Any Zion Spirit Wear (has been purchased from Zion Spirit Store and is unaltered)
- **Sweatshirts:** Plain crew-neck, pullover, or hooded (white, navy, royal blue, light blue, and yellow)
- **Sweaters:** Plain crew-neck, V-neck, or button-down sweaters (white, navy, royal blue, light blue, and yellow)
- **Bottoms:** Plain or pleated, tailored-style pants (or shorts) in cotton, corduroy, or similar fabric. Solid colors (khaki, black, navy blue, or gray).
 - Walking shorts, skorts, dresses, jumpers, and skirts must extend 3-4’ above the top of the knee at the maximum.
 - Jeans (only on designated days).
 - Leggings worn only under an appropriate skirt, jumper, or dress.
- **Shoes:** All shoes must be safe for the activities at school. Flip flops may not be worn (*no change from previous dress code*).
- **General Guidelines** (*no change from previous dress code*):
 - All clothing must be of proper size for the student.
 - Clothes should be in good condition, with no holes.
 - Hats of any kind and hoods may not be worn inside the school building
 - Undergarments and midriffs should not be visible.
 - Hair coloring should be natural colors only.
 - Piercings are allowed for female students only and on the ears only.

Suggested stores and websites for purchasing items

[Wal-Mart](#)

[Target](#)

[Old Navy](#)

[Gap](#)

[Carters](#)

[Academy](#)

[Kohl's](#)

[Land’s End](#)



In the coming weeks, we will assemble and share with you an infographic to help us clearly communicate our clothing terminology and help you prepare. Changes will be reflected in our 2020-2021 Parent & Student Handbook.

You have entrusted your precious children to our care and invested greatly in their academic and spiritual futures, and we are honored to bear that responsibility. We are looking ahead with excitement and hope at the opportunity that we have to continue to provide our students with an excellent academic program while living out God's Word and showing the love of Jesus Christ. We pray that you will remain a part of it.

We encourage you to spread the word in our community of how God is working through the lives of the students and staff to provide a loving, Christian, educational environment for children and families. Please also keep Zion Lutheran School in your prayers as we move through this very important enrollment period. We are ready to continue to carry out Christ's mission here in Belleville.

In His Service,
Mrs. Ananda Baron
Principal