

2022-2023 TRENT DRESS CODE

The Epiphany School of Global Studies offers a disciplined learning environment for the students. The appearance of all community members should exhibit the respect for and commitment to the noble and sacred mission, values, and culture of the school. In lieu of adopting an official school uniform, Epiphany has established a Dress Code that is not excessively restrictive. The Dress Code exists to instill **PRIDE, UNITY, and EQUALITY** within the community. By wearing the name of the school, and by dressing in a professional manner, students show their commitment to the community and all that Epiphany espouses. Finally, adherence to a respectable dress code is an effective way for the students to display outwardly the discipline that is required to find success in life.

Epiphany maintains The Falcon's Next in Founder's Hall on Henderson which is a collection of gently used clothing at a tremendously reduced price. Parents might want to make The Falcon's Nest their first stop for their child's clothing needs.

Because students represent the school to the outside community, they are expected to maintain a neat and scholarly appearance at all times. A sloppy appearance does not convey personal excellence and is not acceptable. Parents should ensure that their students fully uphold these guidelines. The Administration will contact the parent if a student's dress and appearance do not satisfy these expectations. When a Dress Code violation occurs, the student must resolve the issue before returning to class or to the school-sponsored activity and will forfeit certain Dress Code freedoms. Should the student have **3 or more** Dress Code violations, then he or she shall also have a lunch detention on each offending day.

DRESS DOWN FRIDAYS/SPIRIT WEEK EVENTS

Each Friday is a Dress Down day on Trent Campus, unless otherwise specified by the Administration. On these days, students must choose clothing that is safe, modest, and without offensive advertising (which includes, but is not limited to, political statements, alcohol, tobacco, sexual innuendos, racially or gender insensitive material, etc.). The first Dress Down Day will begin after Labor Day.

DRESS UP DAYS

Throughout the school year, there are days and events that call for Epiphany students to wear their "professional best." "Professional best" means as if the student is applying for a professional position. On these days, young men must wear a tucked-in dress shirt and tie with dress pants and belt, while young women must wear dresses or skirts of acceptable lengths (mid-thigh), or dress slacks and an appropriate blouse. Backless and dresses with "cut outs" are not permitted. Dress Up Days will be announced the week prior to the event. On occasion, dances will be semi-formal and follow these "dress up" guidelines. These Dress Up Days include Dedication, School Picture Day, Feast of Epiphany, specific classroom/club activities, etc.

SCHOOL TRIP & SPECIAL EVENT ATTIRE

When students leave campus for any school-related trip (including off-campus service opportunities) or participate in special activities, the Administration or sponsoring teacher will designate appropriate attire. Permission slips will include information about required attire.

ATHLETIC DRESS

Scholar-athletes are ambassadors of Epiphany. On game days, Epiphany encourages scholar-athletes to wear the Epiphany Athletics T-shirt, athletic polo, or jersey of their team to exhibit consistency, pride, and unity.

MIDDLE SCHOOL DRESS CODE

Members of the Middle School adhere to an adjusted dress code that is developmentally appropriate for these students who will soon make the transition to Upper School.

- Sheer or see-through fabric is not permitted.
- Any clothing that promotes alcohol, tobacco, drugs, political statements, sexual innuendos, racial or gender insensitive material, etc., is not allowed.

TOPS: boys

- Any solid color shirt that is embroidered with the school logo, including polos, oxfords, turtlenecks, and t-shirts
 - Students may wear tops that reflect the school, the school's athletic teams or co-curricular activities, including Odyssey Shirts. These tops must be official co-curricular shirts, approved by the Director of Student Life.
- Tank tops and sleeveless T-shirts are not permitted.
- Any undershirt that is worn with Epiphany attire must be a solid color (no printed words/designs on sleeves).

TOPS: girls

- Any solid color shirt that is embroidered with the school logo, including polos, blouses, oxfords, turtlenecks, t-shirts, and various "feminine fit" collarless shirts.
 - Students may wear tops that reflect the school, the school's athletic teams or co-curricular activities, including Odyssey Shirts. These tops must be official co-curricular shirts, approved by the Director of Student Life.
- Sleeveless tops and sleeveless dresses are permitted, provided that the "seam across the shoulder" (the strap) is "three-fingers-width" or greater.
- Tank tops and spaghetti straps are not permitted.
- Girls should wear a solid color undershirt/camisole, particularly with all cropped "feminine cut" tops to avoid bare midriffs. Girls should not wear short tops that just "graze" the waist of pants.
- The neckline of tops must be worn with modesty to avoid visible cleavage.

BOTTOMS: boys

- Pants and shorts may be in a variety of fabrics (khakis, cords, cotton, or denim).
- Bottoms may be either solid colors or prints.
- All bottoms must be in good condition (no rips) and should be at least mid-thigh.
 - Modestly frayed hems are allowed.
- Extra-long and/or "baggy" shorts are not permitted.
- Athletic shorts and sweats are not permitted, except in PE class.

BOTTOMS: girls

- Pants, shorts, dresses, and skirts may be in a variety of fabrics (khakis, cords, cotton, or denim).
- Bottoms may be either solid colors or prints.
- All bottoms must be in good condition (no rips) and should be at least mid-thigh.
 - Modestly frayed hems are allowed.
- Athletic shorts and sweats are not permitted, except in PE class.
- Leggings and tights are permitted only underneath skirts and shorts of the appropriate length. Leggings must be opaque above the knee.

SHOES

- Comfortable, casual shoes should be worn at all times. They must be in good condition. These types of shoes include, for example, topsiders, loafers, boots, and sneakers.
- Opened-toe shoes (including flip-flops and sandals) are not permitted.
- High heels or wedges of more than 2 inches are not permitted.

OUTERWEAR

- Outerwear is defined as anything worn over an approved Epiphany top.
- Outerwear worn outside does NOT require an Epiphany logo. Small apparel logos are allowed. Outerwear may not include words, slogans or images.
- Sweatshirts, sweaters, and fleece vests in an array of colors are permitted in the classroom and require an embroidered Epiphany logo.
- Epiphany athletics sweatshirts, sweaters, and jackets are permitted.
- Hats and gloves must remain in lockers once the school day begins.

PE CLASS ATTIRE

- Students must wear appropriate athletic attire, specifically shorts of a respectable length.
- Sneakers are required.
- Following PE classes, all students must return to normal school attire, unless the class ends the day.

HAIR & GROOMING

- Hairstyles should never impede visibility of the face and/or extend over the eyes and should not be distracting in the classroom.
- Facial hair must be well groomed.
- Make-up application should be conservative.
- Students must refrain from using hair colors that do not occur naturally.
- Hair accessories (i.e. clips with unnatural hair colors, feathers, etc.) are not allowed.

JEWELRY & ACCESSORIES

- Modest earrings and nose piercings are permitted.
- Ear cuffs, ear gauges, bull rings, other body piercings, bandanas, and pocket chains are not permitted.
- Sunglasses must be stored when indoors.

UPPER SCHOOL DRESS CODE

Members of the Upper School adhere to an adjusted dress code that is developmentally appropriate for these students who will soon make the transition to college/university life.

- All clothing must be safe, modest, and without any offensive advertising (which includes, but is not limited to, political statements, alcohol, tobacco, drugs, sexual innuendos, racially or gender insensitive material, etc.).
- Sheer or see-through fabric is not permitted.

TOPS: boys

- Any polo, oxford, button-down, turtleneck, or t-shirt is permitted.
- Tank tops and sleeveless T-shirts are not permitted.

TOPS: girls

- Any blouse, polo, oxford, turtleneck, t-shirt, or various “feminine fit” collarless shirt is permitted.
- Sleeveless tops and sleeveless dresses are permitted, provided that the “seam across the shoulder” (the strap) is “three-fingers-width” or greater.
- Tank tops and spaghetti straps are not permitted.
- Girls should wear a solid color undershirt/camisole, particularly with all cropped “feminine cut” tops to avoid bare midriffs. Girls should not wear short tops that just “graze” the waist of pants. Bare midriffs are not permitted.
- The neckline of tops must be worn with modesty to avoid visible cleavage.

BOTTOMS: boys

- Pants and shorts may be in a variety of fabrics (khakis, cords, cotton, or denim).
- Bottoms may be either solid colors or prints.
- All bottoms must be in good condition (no rips or frays) and should be at least mid-thigh.
- Extra-long and/or “baggy” shorts are not permitted.
- Athletic shorts and sweats are not permitted, except in PE class.

BOTTOMS: girls

- Pants, shorts, dresses, and skirts may be in a variety of fabrics (khakis, cords, cotton, or denim).
- Bottoms may be either solid colors or prints.
- All bottoms must be in good condition (no rips or frays) and must be at least mid-thigh.
- “Dressy” shorts, Capris, and Bermuda shorts are permitted.
- Athletic shorts and sweats are not permitted, except in PE class.
- Leggings and tights are permitted under tops that cover the student’s backside entirely. Leggings must be opaque/not sheer above the knee.

SHOES

- Comfortable, casual shoes should be worn at all times. They must be in good condition. These types of shoes include, for example, topsiders, loafers, boots, and sneakers.
- Upper School students are permitted to wear opened-toe shoes (including flip-flops or sandals).
- High heels or wedges of more than ¾ inches are not permitted.

OUTERWEAR

- Upper School students may wear any outerwear that is free of offensive advertising.
- Hats and gloves must remain in lockers once the school day begins.

PE CLASS ATTIRE

- Students must wear appropriate athletic attire.
- Sneakers are required.
- Following PE classes, all students must return to normal school attire, unless the class ends the day.

HAIR & GROOMING

- Hairstyles should never impede visibility of the face and/or extend over the eyes and should not be distracting in the classroom.
- Facial hair must be well groomed.
- Make-up application should be conservative.
- Students must refrain from using hair colors that do not occur naturally.

JEWELRY & ACCESSORIES

- Modest earrings and nose piercings are permitted.
- Ear cuffs, ear gauges, bull rings, other body piercings, bandanas, and pocket chains are not permitted.
- Sunglasses must be stored when indoors.