

# Middle School Uniforms

## School Uniforms Policy & Purchase

### **DRESS CODE**

Uniforms are mandatory at CSS. Students must come dressed in uniform every day. Students not in uniform will be subject to disciplinary action. Following is the school uniform:

#### **Middle school uniform:**

**Light blue** polo shirt or button down dress shirt, short or long sleeved, with CSS emblem, blue jeans with belt (if jeans fit snugly at the waist or top of the hips, a belt is not required), and shoes or sneakers in a subdued color. Students may wear CSS sweatpants (must have CSS design) instead of jeans during the school day.

#### **High school uniform:**

**Navy blue** polo shirt or button down dress shirt, short or long sleeved, with CSS emblem, blue jeans with belt (if jeans fit snugly at the waist or top of the hips, a belt is not required), shoes or sneakers in a subdued color. Students may wear CSS sweatpants (must have CSS design) instead of jeans during the school day.

#### **Gym Uniform for both middle and high school students**

Grey T-shirts with the CSS emblem for middle school students, navy blue T-shirts with the CSS emblem for high school students, sneakers in subdued colors, CSS sweat pants or navy sweatpants with no emblem, CSS gym shorts or navy shorts with no emblem. Students may wear CSS sweatpants (must have CSS design) throughout the school day. All other gym clothing must be changed after gym class.

**NOTE: NEW UNIFORMS ARE NOT SOLD AT CSS. FIND OUT WHERE TO GET THEM ON THE NEXT PAGE.**

#### **Sweaters, Cardigans & Sweatshirts**

Students may wear a navy or grey sweater, cardigan, or fleece (zippered or pullover) with the CSS emblem during the day. The only kind of sweatshirts they may wear are CSS sweatshirts that can be purchased from the PTA. **Outerwear can be worn over dress code but not instead of dress code.**

#### **Pride Fridays**

On Fridays, CSS event or activity T-shirts or CSS athletic uniform tops are allowed.

#### **Warm Weather Attire**

When temperatures are above **72 degrees F**, students may wear khaki or jean shorts (no holes) with a belt. The length of the shorts must be no more than 2 inches above the knee, about where fingers reach when arms are at sides.

#### **Additional Rules**

- No hats, hoods or caps may be worn in school
- Jeans and shorts must be worn at the waist or top of the hips. If a student's unless jeans fit snugly at the waist or top of the hips, a belt is not necessary
- Jeans may not have holes

# Purchasing your Uniform Shirt, Gym Shirt and Spirit Wear

## YOU CAN BUY NEW UNIFORM SHIRTS IN TWO WAYS:

1) At any store and have the CSS emblem embroidered at one of the following places:

-**Harlem Underground**, 20 E. 125th Street between Fifth and Madison avenues

(212) 987--9385

-**Peligro Sports**, 2200 Amsterdam Avenue between 169th and 170<sup>th</sup> streets, (212) 568-0222

2) Purchase on the Lands' End website (<http://www.landsend.com/>), which has the CSS emblem on file. Go to the uniform section of the Lands' End website and use preferred school number 900120858. It can take several weeks from the time you place your order until you receive the shirts in the mail. If you sign up on the Lands' End email list there are frequent sales throughout the year during which you can buy the uniforms at a discount or with free logo. Generally the least expensive option is to wait for a free emblem promotion. The CSS PTA gets a commission for everything you buy.

**Saving money** - if you sign up on the Lands End email list (<http://www.landsend.com/>), there are frequent sales throughout the year during which you can buy the uniforms at a discount or with free logo. Generally the cheapest option is to wait for a free logo promotion.

How to use the Land's End website: <http://www.landsend.com/shop/school-uniforms/-/N-g54>

1. On the website, select the button "Find My School."
2. On the next page, enter the school's name or the CSS "preferred school number" - 90012085

The screenshot shows the Lands' End website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Help Center, Store Locator, Gift Cards, Business Outfitters, Ship To, My Account, and My Bag. Below this is the Lands' End logo and a search bar with the text "Enter Keyword or Style #". A promotional banner reads "FRIENDS & FAMILY ENJOY 25% OFF!" with a note to use promo code FAMILY & Pin: 6020. The main content area is divided into two sections: "FIND YOUR SCHOOL'S DRESS CODE" and "SEARCH RESULTS".

**FIND YOUR SCHOOL'S DRESS CODE**

First Name: \*Optional  
Gender: Girl  
Grade/Status: Grade 6  
School Name: Columbia Secondary School  
Location: In United States/US Territories  
City: New York  
State: New York

Buttons: Cancel, FIND MY SCHOOL

OR FIND MY SCHOOL USING MY PREFERRED SCHOOL NUMBER

**SEARCH RESULTS**

You searched for:  
**Columbia Secondary School in New York, New York**

Matching schools found. Select your school to shop that school's Dress Code.  
For assistance, text chat now or call:  
1-800-469-2222 (US & Canada), 1-808-935-6170 (Int'l.)

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**CSS**  
Columbia Secondary School  
425 W 123rd St Fl 5  
New York, New York

Button: SELECT SCHOOL

You will be given the option to shop for this school. The site will ask you to create an account, but you can skip that step. Once you select “Shop for This School” you will see a page full of approved uniform shirts. You’ll also see some gray gym shirts, and some cardigans and sweaters.

**YOU CAN BUY NEW GYM SHIRTS the same ways you can purchase new polo shirts:** purchase T-shirts (grey for middle school, navy blue for high school) at any clothing store and have the CSS logo embroidered or imprinted at one of the places listed, **or go through the Lands’ End website, *which now offers gym shirts.***

### **SPIRIT WEAR (CSS hoodies and sweat pants)**

**CSS hoodies and sweatpants with the CSS design can be purchased at school by the PTA on the first Friday of every month**

**Gently used items including uniform shirts and outerwear are available at school during the monthly sales.** These donated items are free or a suggested donation of \$5.

