

# 2025 - 26 Uniform Guide



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# GUIDELINES

## Introduction

- Cincy Classical requires students to wear uniforms to eliminate distractions, to level the playing field, and to remind ourselves that we are doing important work.
- When questions about particular aspects of the uniform arise, the student is expected to follow the general and leading spirit of the policy, which is to diminish distractions, show respect, and elevate the tenor of the school.
- Students must be in uniform in order to attend class. A violation of the uniform policy may result in disciplinary action in accord with the school's code of conduct.
- All items that include either the school logo or the school plaid must be purchased through Shaheen's. Items such as dress shoes, khaki pants and shorts (or the white non-logo shirts) can be purchased either through Shaheen's or elsewhere.
- Uniforms will be designated as "summer uniform" and "winter uniform." The "summer uniform" shall be worn in the first and fourth school quarters; the "winter uniform" shall be worn in the second and third school quarters – unless otherwise directed by the Dean of Student Life or the Headmaster.

## Uniform Updates for the 2025-26 Academic Year

Please note the following policies as we head into the 2025-26 academic year:

- **All upper school students (grades 7 and beyond) must wear dress shoes to school year-round. Students in grades K-6 are still permitted to wear conservative athletic shoes year-round.**
- **All upper school boys (grades 7 and beyond) must wear pants year-round.**
- **It's important to note that no changes have been made for the lower school, including shoe requirements. Students in grades K-6 are still permitted to wear white, black, brown, or grey conservative athletic shoes or dress shoes year-round.**

See next page for more information.

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## Uniform Updates for the 2025-26 Academic Year

### Shoe Policy (Upper School)

- Beginning at the start of the 2025–2026 school year, all upper school students will wear black dress shoes with their uniforms for all four quarters, reserving sneakers exclusively for PE classes. This policy aims to foster a polished appearance among the students that complements their development and transition into the upper school.
- Please review the guidelines below for details on acceptable dress shoes and sneakers:

### Dress Shoes (Girls) – Requirements:

- Shoes must be solid black with no additional colors.
- Shoes must have closed toes.
- Shoes must have a strap or enclosure around the heel; fully open-back shoes are not permitted.
- Heels may not exceed 0.5 inches in height.
- Boat shoes are not permitted.

### Dress Shoes (Boys) – Requirements:

- Shoes must be solid black with no additional colors.
- Laced or slip on dress shoes are both acceptable.
- Boat shoes are not permitted.

### Sneakers (Boys and Girls, Upper School) – Requirements:

- Sneakers may be of any color so long as the shoes are not flashy and ostentatious
- Sneakers cannot portray any pop-culture references.
- Sneakers cannot light up or contain any other additional special features.

Below are several links providing examples of acceptable dress shoes.

### Links to dress shoes (girls):

- <https://shorturl.at/rodZY>
- <https://shorturl.at/aloz9>
- <https://shorturl.at/eyTKz>

### Links to dress shoes (boys):

- <https://shorturl.at/hOQKF>
- <https://shorturl.at/xMsCB>
- <https://shorturl.at/jXswA>

# K-6 Boys Guidelines

## Summer Uniform

**Option 1:** Short sleeve navy polo with logo, khaki shorts



**Option 2:** Short sleeve navy polo with logo, khaki pants



Belt optional for K-4, required for grades 5-6; see page 6 for footwear instruction





# K-6 Boys Guidelines

## Winter Uniform

Any sweater with logo or navy blazer with logo are permitted



White oxford with logo (short-sleeve or long-sleeve) or white long-sleeve polo



Khaki pants required; belt and tie are optional for K-4, required 5-6;  
see page 6 for footwear instruction



# 7-9 Boys Guidelines

## Summer Uniform

Short sleeve navy polo with logo, khaki pants



Belt required; see page 7 for footwear instruction



# 7-9 Boys Guidelines

## Winter Uniform

Any sweater with logo or navy blazer with logo are permitted



White oxford with logo (short-sleeve or long-sleeve)



Khaki pants required; belt and Hamilton plaid tie are required;  
see page 6 for footwear instruction



# Boys - Footwear Guidelines

Boys K-6 may wear conservative athletic or dress shoes in white, black, brown, or grey only. Boys in grades 7-9 must wear black dress shoes year-round.

**Shoes:** conservative athletic or black dress shoes



**Socks:** white, black, brown, navy, or grey only (must show above the shoes)





# K-4 Girls Guidelines

## Summer Uniform

**Option 1:** Hamilton plaid jumper and white polo with logo or Peter Pan blouse



**Option 2:** Khaki shorts and white polo with logo or Peter Pan blouse



See page 11 for footwear instruction



# K-4 Girls Guidelines

## Winter Uniform

Any sweater with logo or navy blazer with logo are permitted



**Option 1:** Hamilton plaid jumper; white Peter Pan blouse (short-sleeve or long-sleeve); Hamilton plaid crossover tie required



**Option 2:** Khaki pants; white Peter Pan blouse; Hamilton plaid crossover tie required



See page 11 for footwear instruction

# 5-9 Girls Guidelines

## Summer Uniform

**Option 1:** Hamilton plaid skirt and white polo with logo



**Option 2:** Khaki shorts and white polo with logo



See page 11 for footwear instruction



# 5-9 Girls Guidelines

## Winter Uniform

Any sweater with logo or navy blazer with logo are permitted



**Option 1:** Hamilton plaid skirt with leggings underneath; white oxford with logo (short-sleeve or long-sleeve); Hamilton plaid crossover tie required



**Option 2:** Khaki pants; white oxford with logo (short-sleeve or long-sleeve); Hamilton plaid crossover tie required



See page 11 for footwear instruction



# Girls - Footwear Guidelines

Girls K-6 may wear conservative athletic or dress shoes in white, black, brown, or grey only. Girls in grades 7-9 must wear black dress shoes year-round.

**Shoes:** conservative athletic or black dress shoes



**Socks:** white, black, brown, navy, or grey only (must show above the shoes)



# Gym Uniform

Students in grades K-4 will not be changing clothes for P.E. class; students in grades 5-8 will change into their P.E. uniform for P.E. class; a CLASSICAL T-Shirt and CLASSICAL gym shorts, available from Shaheen's, are required; CLASSICAL sweatpants are optional; girls may wear leggings under their shorts, but they may not wear leggings without the shorts. See pages 6 and 11 for footwear instruction.

## Boys and Girls 5-9



**Optional: leggings under shorts (girls) or sweatpants (boys and girls)**



# COMMON MISTAKES

## Common Mistakes Include:

- Boys:
  - Belts are required for both summer and winter uniforms (this applies only to grades 5–9).
  - Shirts must always be tucked in.
- Girls:
  - The crossover tie is required for the winter uniform.
  - In the winter, khaki pants may be worn. Khaki leggings may not be worn.
  - In P.E. class, leggings may be worn underneath gym shorts. They may not be worn alone without gym shorts.
  - Hair must be properly secured and well-kept.
- Spirit Wear:
  - Monday – Thursday, students may wear one of the many cardigans, sweaters, or vests offered on Shaheen’s website. While students may wear a CLASSICAL hoodie on Fridays, they may not wear them during the rest of the week.
- Hygiene
  - Students must always keep their uniforms clean. Disheveled uniforms will not be tolerated.
  - Uniforms may not be worn if dirty or stained.
  - Students must always come to school looking presentable.

# COMMON MISTAKES

Colored Shoes



Khaki Leggings



Boots



Backpack with logos or pop-culture references







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