

Beachcombers Academy Dress Code

Updated: 2019



Logo

Polo shirt:

pale blue, navy (all suppliers) or maize yellow (LandsEnd); short or long sleeve. See also low cost option below.

Pants:

Quick-dry: grey or navy (all MEC options) or other supplier.

or

Cotton uniform pants: navy (Old Navy, Landsend, Cambridge or The Children's Place in the mall in Courtenay.)

Optional Fleece or sweater:

Navy (Cambridge or Landsend) or Logo optional (Cambridge or Landsend).

All students: indoor shoes, appropriate outdoor clothing for all weather. Rubber boots for wet weather.

Beachcombers Uniform Suppliers:

Primary Suppliers:

Cambridge Uniforms (Canadian supplier): children, youth & adult sizing.

Website: cambridgeuniforms.com: "register your child" with school code: **BEA987** or order by phone 1-800-924-9069.

Lands'end (duties apply): children, youth & adult sizing; supplies maize yellow polo & interlock polo.

Website: landsend.ca: login and "find your school".

MEC: Quick dry pants only: children, youth & adult sizing: mec.ca

(Grey or navy).

Low Cost Options:

With low-cost options you have logos added so there is more work for parents; work together for lower pricing. Embroidery supplier is located in Fanny Bay. No adult sizing.

Logo Embroidery: Purchase shirts at Old Navy or The Children's Place and purchase embroidery from Kelly Creamer at kcreamer@shaw.ca Logo cost is by volume: 1 item - \$15.00, 2 items \$12.50 each, 3 -5 items \$10.00 each, 6 - 10 \$8.00 each, 11 - 15 \$7.00 each, 16 - 19 \$6.00 each, and 20 and over \$5.00 each.

Old Navy -- Low Cost Option: (free shipping over \$50; sales in spring/summer.)

Uniform polo: navy, light blue (you have logo added, please see above).

Girls uniform pants (cotton), navy.

Boys uniform chino pants (cotton), navy.

The Children's Place -- Low Cost Option: (store in the mall in Courtenay and online.)

Uniform polo, navy or light blue (you have logo added, please see above).

Girls uniform pants (cotton), navy.

Boys uniform khakis pants (cotton), navy

Why Uniforms?

- **Mind over material**: Students focus more on schoolwork while in class than what peers are wearing that day. Additionally, kids are less stressed about wearing the latest trends, or being out of the loop.
- **Less disagreement between students and teachers**: Educators don't have to spend as much time and attention focusing on what is appropriate attire. Parents also often say that it makes mornings easier.
- **Fieldtrip safety**: Clothing is appropriate for outdoor activities. Teachers are easily able to distinguish who belongs to the student body and who doesn't when in public, increasing school safety overall.
- **Identity**: students learn that their identity and creativity is not dependent on their clothing; it is inherent in who they are, the choices they make, and through creative thinking. Creativity is expressed through school projects.
- **Cheaper than yearly wardrobes**: Although the cost of uniforms can be expensive up front, the amount of money parents spend on fall and spring wardrobes each year for their children can be much more. School uniforms are intended to last and hold up to the stress of everyday wear.
- **Sense of equality**: Maybe the most important point-- kids feel a sense of equality among their classmates. They can spend more time getting to know each other and about their unique backgrounds without the limitations of clothing choices.