

Preschool Student Dress Code Policy

Purpose

This dress code policy is designed to ensure the safety, comfort, and independence of our preschool students while supporting their active learning environment and daily activities.

General Guidelines

Footwear Requirements

All students must wear **closed-toe shoes** at all times for safety reasons:

- Sneakers, tennis shoes, or other sturdy closed-toe shoes are preferred
- Shoes should have non-slip soles for playground safety
- Velcro closures or slip-on styles are recommended for independence

Bathroom Independence Clothing

To promote self-sufficiency and confidence during restroom visits:

- Choose clothing with **elastic waistbands** (pants, skirts, shorts)
- Avoid complicated buttons, belts, overalls, or one-piece outfits that are difficult to manage
- Select clothing that children can easily pull up and down independently
- Ensure underwear and clothing fit properly to avoid struggles

Additional Considerations

Practical Guidelines

- Clothing should allow for active play, movement, and exploration
- Avoid delicate fabrics or special-occasion clothing that cannot get dirty
- All clothing items should be machine washable
- Label all removable items (jackets, hats, etc.) with your child's name
- Avoid sending your child wearing jewelry as it can be a safety hazard and get lost or broken

Safety Requirements

- Avoid clothing with long drawstrings, loose belts, or dangling accessories that could pose safety hazards
- Clothing should fit appropriately - not too loose or too tight

Weather-Specific Reminders

- Please check the daily weather forecast and dress your child accordingly
- We spend time outdoors daily when weather permits
- Keep season appropriate spare clothing in your child's cubby for unexpected changes

Questions

If you have questions about appropriate clothing choices or need clarification on this policy, please speak with your child's teacher or the administrative staff.

This policy is designed to support your child's comfort, safety, and independence throughout their preschool experience.