

# Padre Pio Academy

## PreK-8th Grade Uniform Style Guide

Education is a serious obligation. A dress code supports an environment where alongside academic instruction, students learn how to present themselves professionally. All clothing will be neat, clean, in good repair and free from logos, merchandised characters, branding and printing. Small embroidered logos such as the Lacoste crocodile, Ralph Lauren equestrian or Christendom emblem are fine to wear.

Grades 9-12 will follow the *dress code* outlined below, and grades PreK-8 will follow the *uniform* policy.

If you would like to purchase uniform pieces online, we have a selection of approved items from frenchtoast.com under our school's code: QS5SWZS. A Uniform Style Guide on our website shows visual examples of uniform pieces for reference. Please ask if you need further clarification.

Parents will be contacted at the end of the day when a student is out of uniform or dress code.

Please also read our FAQ below. If there is a question you have about the PPA uniform that is not answered in the FAQ below, please contact us.

Most of the below pictures are from [www.frenchtoast.com](http://www.frenchtoast.com) (to browse uniforms for PPA, use code **QS5SWZS**).

				
 <p>GIRLS Short Sleeve Peter Pan Blouse w Lace Trim Collar (Feminine Fit)</p>	 <p>GIRLS Short Sleeve Modern Peter Pan Blouse</p>	 <p>GIRLS Short Sleeve Oxford Blouse with Darts</p>	 <p>GIRLS Short Sleeve Pointed Collar Blouse with Pocket</p>	 <p>GIRLS Short Sleeve Pique Polo</p>
				
 <p>GIRLS Long Sleeve Modern</p>	 <p>GIRLS Short Sleeve Ribbon</p>	 <p>GIRLS Puff-Sleeve Polo</p>	 <p>GIRLS Long Sleeve Pique Polo</p>	 <p>GIRLS Long Sleeve Peter Pan</p>

Peter Pan Blouse	Bow Blouse			Blouse w Lace Trim Collar (Feminine Fit)
 <p> <b>GIRLS</b> Long Sleeve Oxford Blouse with Darts</p>	 <p> <b>GIRLS</b> Long Sleeve Pointed Collar Blouse</p>	 <p> <b>GIRLS</b> Bermuda Short <b>PREK-8 ONLY</b> <b>AUG, SEPT, MAY ONLY</b></p>	 <p> <b>GIRLS</b> Long Skirt with Back Panel</p>	 <p> <b>GIRLS</b> Straight Leg Twill Pant <b>FRENCH TOAST ONLY</b></p>
 <p> <b>GIRLS</b> Girls Adjustable Waist Pant <b>FRENCH TOAST ONLY</b></p>	 <p> <b>GIRLS</b> Young Womens Pant <b>FRENCH TOAST ONLY</b></p>	 <p> <b>GIRLS</b> Sash Belt Bermuda Short <b>PREK-8 ONLY</b> <b>AUG, SEPT, MAY ONLY</b></p>	 <p> <b>GIRLS</b> Polo dress <b>-NOT ON FT SITE -</b> <b>MUST BE TO THE KNEE</b></p>	 <p> <b>GIRLS</b> School Uniform Jumper - <b>NOT ON FT SITE -</b> <b>MUST BE TO THE KNEE</b></p>
 <p><b>GIRLS</b> Any solid color Sweater - cardigan, pullover or vest style or Fleece - pullover, zip or hoodie style</p>	<p><i>All items may be purchased from the French Toast website or another source, as long as they follow these guidelines. You can print a pdf that includes current prices of all of the items from frenchtoast.com. They also run frequent sales.</i></p>	 <p><b>BOYS</b>  Adjustable Waist Double Knee Pant</p>	 <p><b>BOYS</b>  Pleated Adjustable Waist Short <b>PREK-8 ONLY</b> <b>AUG, SEPT, MAY ONLY</b></p>	 <p><b>BOYS</b>  Flat Front Adjustable Waist Short <b>PREK-8 ONLY</b> <b>AUG, SEPT, MAY ONLY</b></p>

				
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## Frequently Asked Questions on the Uniform

### Q: Is there anything new in the dress code for this year?

A: Yes, there are a few changes.

- Slacks and pants may now be black, navy blue, or gray.
- This year, slacks for girls MUST be the loose-fitting pants purchased from French Toast. We have eliminated the option of having non-French Toast pants approved by the director. Approved pants for girls can be found on the PPA page at [www.frenchtoast.com](http://www.frenchtoast.com).
- Non-controversial logos for sweaters, fleeces and hoodies will be permitted. Examples are teams, schools, or religious quotes. Examples of logos not permitted are skulls, death, vampires, Harry Potter, Pokemon or anything someone might object to.
- There is now more specific information for the wearing of shorts. They must be Bermuda style and loose-fitting. Although they do not have to be purchased from French Toast, they must be the same style as the ones on the PPA page for French Toast.

### Q: Do we have to order from French Toast?

A: There is no requirement to purchase from French Toast EXCEPT for girls who would like to wear slacks. These MUST be purchased from French Toast. Also, for girls, it is not easy to find skirts that are mid-knee. The skirt from French Toast is nice and long, so keep this in mind if you are looking for skirts.

### Q: Do the uniform shirts have to be that same exact shade of light blue?

A: Any solid blue color shirt, SO LONG AS IT HAS A COLLAR, is fine. Although it does not have to be this exact shade, light blue is preferred. No shirts with printing, pictures, or lettering are allowed. (Tiny embroidered brand logos, such as the polo pony on a polo shirt, are fine.)

### Q: Are white shirts and blouses allowed?

A: No. The trouble with white shirts and blouses are that some are too see-through. Some may be made of a fabric that is a little thicker but we can not start to monitor which ones are thick enough and which are too thin. That is why colored shirts and blouses are required. If the fabric is see-through, it is not permitted to be worn as a uniform shirt.

### Q: Are khaki pants allowed?

A: No. Navy, gray, or black only.

### Q: Why are girls only allowed to wear pants from French Toast?

This is because consensus on pants was so difficult to come by, and too much time was spent by administrators trying to define acceptable pants for girls. It is very difficult to find pants for girls that are not too tight. We needed to fix this problem but we do want the girls to have something that will work for them. The French Toast pants are the best option for settling this issue.