

ist International
School of Tallinn

UNIFORM & DRESS CODE

POLICY

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1. DRESS CODE POLICY

The dress code policy applies to all students from Grade 1 to Grade 12 at the International School of Tallinn. [Norrison](#) will be the official provider of our school uniforms.

- **For Grades 1-12:** Adhering to the school's dress code is obligatory.
- **For Grades 1 to 8:** Wearing the school uniform on the top is obligatory.
- **For Grades 9 to 12:** Wearing the school logo/ brand on the top is obligatory.
- For **preschool students**, the dress code is not required but recommended.

All staff members are allowed to check if students are following the dress code policy properly. Parents and students are expected to familiarize themselves with the dress code policy.

For not adhering to the dress code policy, the following measures are implemented:

2. CONSEQUENCES

First step: The student will be orally reminded of the obligation to follow the dress code.

Second step: The homeroom teacher will send a message via Toddle to parents.

Third step: The IST management team will contact parents for a meeting.

Fourth step: The management team will decide on formal consequences.

3. ACCEPTABLE STANDARDS FOR IST DRESS CODE

3.1. Upper Body

Grades 1–8:

- Shirts must be long-sleeved or short-sleeved with a polo collar and purchased from the school's official supplier, [Norrison](#). Acceptable colours are solid white for shirts and polos, royal blue or dark indigo blue for polos.
- For winter attire, outer layers (e.g., vests, cardigans, sweaters, or blazers) must be in royal blue, dark indigo blue or white and feature the IST logo. These items must also be purchased from [Norrison](#).
- If a blue sweater or other warm layer is worn, the shirt underneath must be white but does not need to display the IST logo.

Grades 9–12:

- Shirts must have a polo collar and may be long-sleeved or short-sleeved in solid white or dark indigo blue, free of labels or designs. These shirts do not need to be purchased from Norrison.
- Outer layers such as vests, cardigans, sweaters, or blazers must be in approved colours: white or dark indigo blue.
- When the warm outer layer is blue, the shirt underneath must be white.
- If the shirt does not display the IST logo, students are required to wear an official IST pin or badge to ensure the school's emblem is visible at all times.

Style & Fit:

- Shirts should be properly sized, fitted, and buttoned where applicable.

3.2. Lower Body

- Pants, skirts, and shorts must be tailored and in black, navy blue, or dark grey.
 - The bottom part of the attire should always be darker than the top.
- Skirts and shorts must not be shorter than knee length.
- Pants, skirts, and shorts may be purchased from the official supplier, Norrison, but it is not required. Students are welcome to wear items of similar style and colour that meet the general dress code guidelines.

Prohibited items include, but are not limited to: Athletic, oversized, leather, colourful pants, skirts or shorts, blue-coloured jeans, and bottoms with a destructed look, such as tears, or designs intended to mimic wear and tear.

Style & Fit:

Lower-body clothing should fit properly – not too loose or too tight, not too short, and without excessive patterns or design elements. Belts may be worn if needed.

Shoes

- **Colour:** Black, dark grey, dark blue, dark brown, or white.
- **Style:** Smart or semi-smart shoes (e.g., Chelsea, chunky leather, Oxford, monk strap).
- **Prohibited:** Sports shoes, high-platform shoes, snow boots, or brightly coloured shoes as indoor footwear.
- **Additional Note:** Shoes that leave scuff marks on floors are not permitted.

3.3. PE Clothing

Top: PE t-shirts in school dress code colours (white, light blue, or dark indigo blue).

Bottom: Leggings, shorts, or jogging bottoms in black, dark indigo blue, or grey.

Footwear: Suitable indoor and outdoor sports shoes are required for safety.

3.4. Festive attire

Festive Attire:

- For **Grades 1-8**, students have the choice to either wear a more formal uniform or festive attire on designated days, depending on their preference.
- For **Grades 9-12**, festive attire (e.g., a blazer and trousers in dark indigo or navy blue with a school pin) is **mandatory** for special school events.
- A note specifying when festive attire is required will be included in the event descriptions.

School Hats:

- School hats are strongly recommended for events such as the **Opening Ceremony** and may be required for other special school events, as clarified in the event descriptions.

Ties:

- Ties are **mandatory** for festive attire.
- Ties are **optional** for daily wear but are **encouraged** as part of the regular uniform.

4. UNIFORM GUIDELINES

Uniform guidelines, including pictures for a clearer overview, are available on our website.