

IST Uniform Guide 2022–23

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Uniform Overview

Trailblazers love to learn in style!

At IST, we want our students to be happy and comfortable in their uniforms for each day of active learning on both IST campuses.

Our PYP (Primary Years Programme) friends in Junior Pre-K through Grade 4 have a different uniform from our MYP (Middle Years Programme) friends in Grades 5 through 8. There are options for every day, and we hope that your Trailblazer finds the uniform looks that are right for them!

Please remember to label each and every garment with your first and last name. We recommend Mabel's Labels!

We hope this guide is helpful as you prepare for the start of school. If you have any questions, please reach out to IST Director of Admissions, Charissa Bates at c.bates@istexas.org.



SCHOOL

We are pleased to announce that starting this year, all IST uniform components are available from Lands' End. IST's Uniform Store is available at www.landsend.com or is searchable with our school number: 900171778

Please note that ALL items from our previous uniform vendor, French Toast, will be honored and welcomed for the entire 2022-23 School Year. There is no need to buy new uniforms if you have what you need for this year!

We look forward to great quality and customer service from Lands' End in our new partnership with them.

PYP Girls

FORMAL UNIFORM

Formal uniforms are worn each Monday or designated assembly day and for special occasions, field trips, and school-related performances.

The formal uniform includes either:

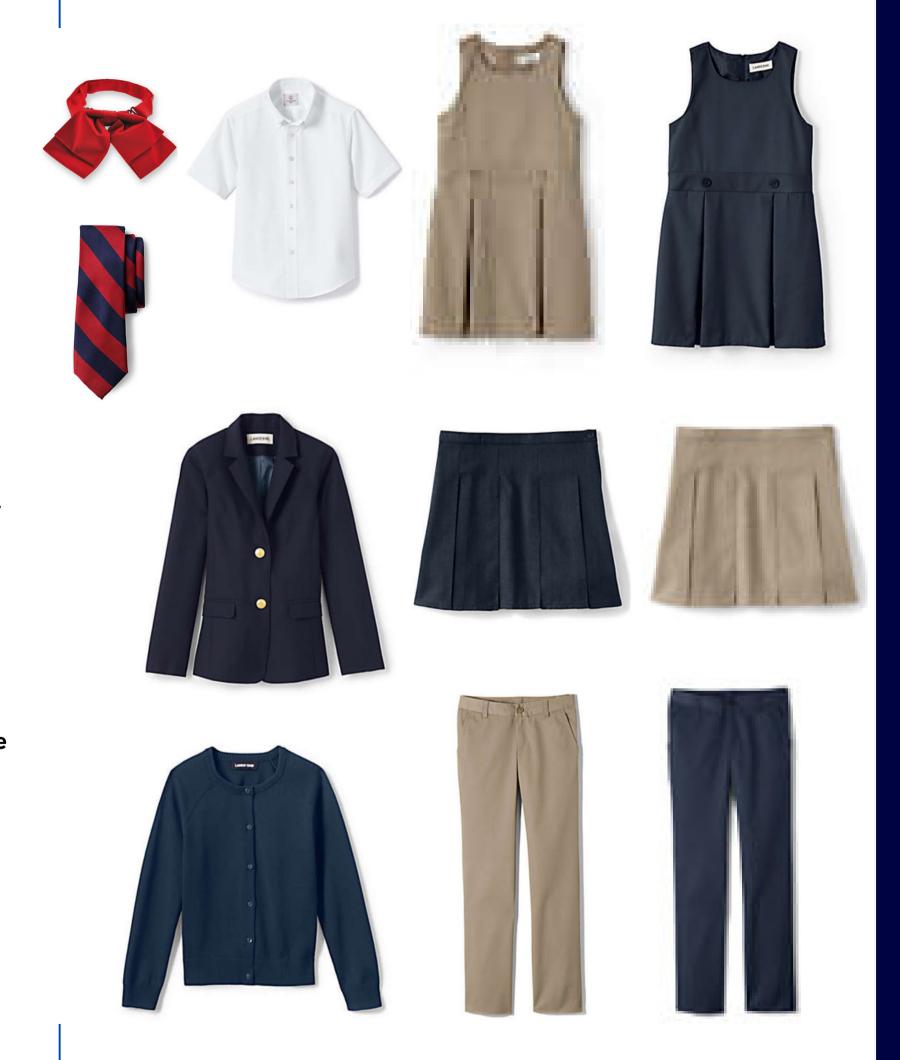
- a white button-down dress shirt (short or long-sleeved) under a blue or khaki jumper dress with the school's embroidered logo and a red bow; or
- a white dress shirt with either a red bow or red and blue tie, navy or khaki skirt or pants.

The formal uniform should also be accompanied by either a cardigan or blazer, weather permitting. Playground shorts are required under all jumpers, skirts, and dresses.

Red floppy bow ties are available from Tie Mart. All other items are available for purchase from Lands' End uniform shop with school code 900171778.

Gender-neutral outfits made from a combination of boys' and girls' uniform items are welcomed.

All previously purchased uniform items from French Toast are welcome to be worn through the 2022-23 School Year.



PYP Girls

CASUAL UNIFORM

Casual uniforms are worn Tuesday through Friday.

Casual uniforms include:

- Navy blue, light blue, grey, or white polo shirt (long or short-sleeved) with the school's embroidered logo;
- Navy blue or khaki skirt (worn with playground shorts), shorts, skorts, or pants; or
- Polo dresses with IST logo (worn with playground shorts).

All of these items are available for purchase from Lands' End uniform shop with school code 900171778.

All previously purchased uniform items from French Toast are welcome to be worn through the 2022-23 School Year.

Shorts and pants may be purchased from other sources (Gap, Target, etc.), so long as they are consistent with uniform guidelines. No drawstring waists or cargo pockets are permitted.



PYP Boys

FORMAL UNIFORM

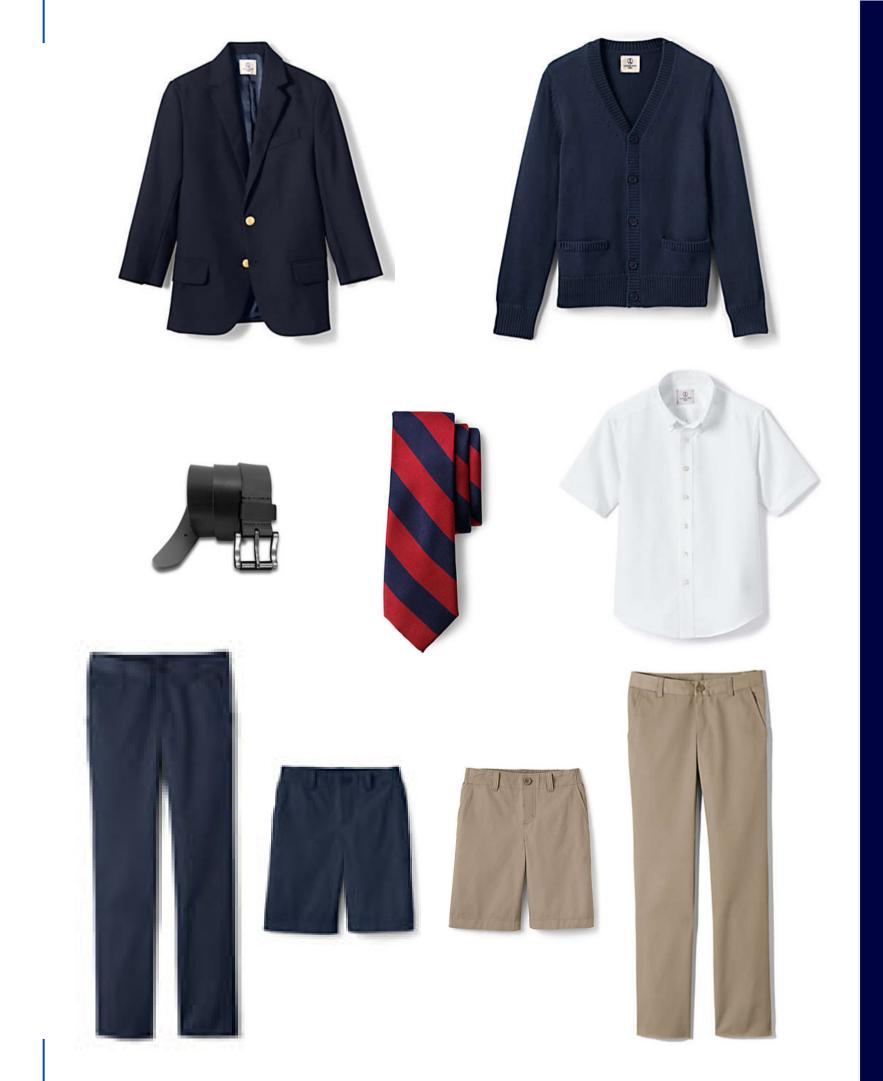
Formal uniforms are worn each Monday or designated assembly day and for special occasions, field trips, and school-related performances.

The formal uniform includes:

- white dress shirt
- IST red/blue striped tie
- navy or khaki shorts or pants
- belt (brown or black)

The formal uniform should also be accompanied by either a cardigan or blazer, weather permitting.

All of these items are available for purchase from Lands' End uniform shop with school code 900171778.



PYP Boys

CASUAL UNIFORM

Casual uniforms are worn Tuesday through Friday.

Casual uniforms include:

- Blue or white polo shirt (long or short-sleeved) with the school's embroidered logo.
- Navy blue or khaki shorts or pants.
- Sweater vests and cardigans (with IST logo) are optional.
- Note: The green IST polos that have previously been a uniform component are no longer available for purchase from our supplier, though students are welcome to wear them if they have them.

All of these items are available for purchase from Lands' End uniform shop with school code 900171778.

Shorts and pants may be purchased from other sources (Gap, Target, etc.), so long as they are consistent with uniform guidelines. No drawstring waists or cargo shorts are permitted.



PYP Outerwear

Our PYP students have a variety of outerwear options!

In mild weather, they are welcome to wear:

- IST cardigans
- IST blazers
- IST fleece-lined raincoats (new this year!)
- IST Thermoplume jackets (new this year!)

All of these items are available for purchase from Lands' End uniform shop with school code 900171778.

In the colder months, our students are welcome to wear their choice of winter coat to keep them comfortable and warm.

All previously purchased uniform items from French Toast are welcome to be worn through the 2022-23 School Year.











Where do I buy the red floppy bow for PYP girls' formal uniforms?

That item is unavailable from Lands' End and can be <u>purchased from TieMart</u>.

Will there be any green polo shirts available?

Kelly green polo shirts are no longer available, but if you have one that is in great shape, you are welcome to wear it this year. We also invite you to purchase our new PYP polo shirt colors: light blue and grey!

Are we switching to red and blue ties?

Yes! We are delighted to offer our new PYP red and blue striped ties from Lands' End. As with all other French Toast components, green and blue ties will still be welcomed this year.

Are there any changes to the MYP Uniform?

No, the MYP Uniform is the same. No changes!

What about shoes and socks?

Closed-toe shoes are required every day and need to be worn with socks or tights. Sandals of any kind are not permitted. We encourage our students to express themselves with the athletic shoes and socks that make them feel the happiest!

Every day is hat day!

At IST, we take sun protection seriously and we require each student to wear a hat when they are outdoors. Since we have multiple recess periods every day, plus outdoor learning, hats are required every day! Our students can choose the hat that expresses their creativity the best.

(No inappropriate content, please!)





What about jewelry and hair?

Jewelry and watches are allowed as a way for our students to express themselves, so long as choices aren't distracting or disruptive to fellow classmates. The same goes for hairstyles and coloring. Students are encouraged to add a bit of flair, particularly if there is cultural or personal significance.

Smartwatches are not permitted unless there is a medical need assisted with a doctors note. Each teacher has the discretion to determine if these items should be stowed in backpacks during learning time.

What about backpacks?

Students may choose their own backpacks; however, no rolling backpacks are permitted for safety reasons.

Fridays are ISTee-shirt Day!

On Fridays, our students can choose to wear their casual uniform or wear an IST school t-shirt. These shirts can be for clubs or sports teams, or IST Spirit Wear!

IST Spirit Wear can be purchased here.





What about House colors?

IST sorts each student (and siblings) into one of four houses, each named after a trailblazing icon. IST's houses are Earhart, Armstrong, Mandela, and Malala. Each House has its own color and accompanying spirit wear.

Parents: You may want to stock up on some wardrobe items in your House color for IST's annual Sports Day! Families new to IST will be assigned to their Houses in August, so stay tuned!



MYP Girls

FORMAL UNIFORM

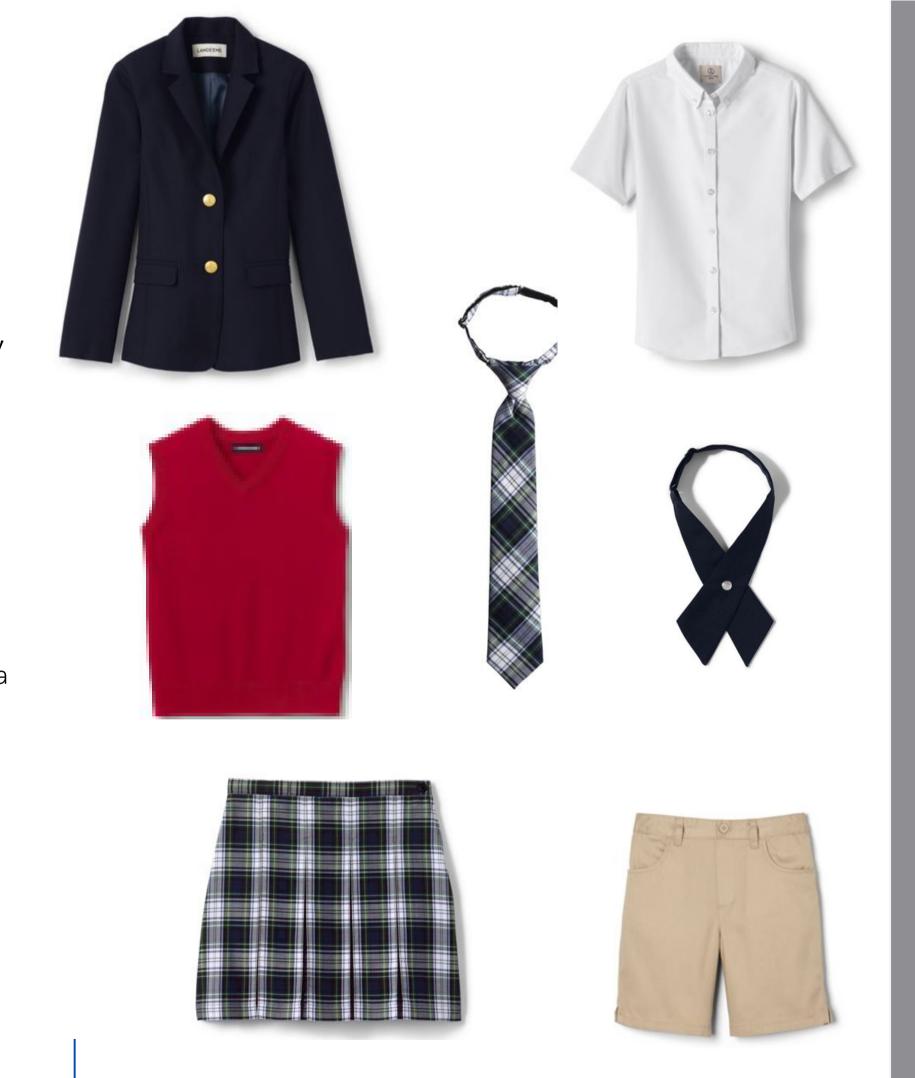
Formal uniforms are worn each <u>Tuesday</u> (or designated assembly day) and for special occasions, field trips, and school-related performances.

The formal uniform includes:

- a white dress shirt under navy IST blazer
- either a navy cross tie or plaid tie
- plaid skirt or khaki or navy pants or shorts
- red sweater vest is optional

The formal uniform should also be accompanied by either a cardigan or blazer, weather permitting.

All of these items are available for purchase from <u>Lands'</u> <u>End</u> uniform shop with school code 900171778.



MYP Girls

CASUAL UNIFORM

Casual MYP uniforms are worn Monday & Wednesday through Friday.

The casual uniform includes:

- Red, grey, or white polo shirts
- Plaid skirts or navy skorts
- Khaki or navy shorts or pants
- Red or grey cardigans
- Red or navy fleece jackets

All of these items are available for purchase from <u>Lands'</u> <u>End</u> uniform shop with school code 900171778.



MYP Boys

FORMAL UNIFORM

Formal MYP uniforms are worn each <u>Tuesday</u> (or designated assembly day) and for special occasions, field trips, and school-related performances.

The formal uniform includes:

- a white dress shirt under navy IST blazer
- plaid tie
- khaki or navy pants or shorts
- black or brown belt
- red sweater vest is optional

The formal uniform should also be accompanied by either a cardigan or blazer, weather permitting.

All of these items are available for purchase from <u>Lands'</u> <u>End</u> uniform shop with school code 900171778.



MYP Boys

CASUAL UNIFORM

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MYP PHE Uniform

PHYSICAL & HEALTH EDUCATION

IST middle school students in Grades 5-8 may also purchase the following uniform items. In the future, MYP students will change for Physical & Health Education (PHE).

For the 2022-23 School Year, MYP students will not be changing clothes for PHE, but students may incorporate these items into their casual uniforms (Monday & Wednesday-Friday) if they would like.

IST's PHE uniform items include:

- Red or grey active shirts
- Red hooded sweatshirts
- Grey athletic shorts
- Navy skorts
- Navy track pants

All of these items are available for purchase from <u>Lands' End</u> uniform shop with school code 900171778.











Grade 8 Free Dress Fridays!

Our Grade 8 students are invited to relax and wear the clothing of their choice each Friday!

Outfits must not be disruptive or revealing and may not contain references to illegal or offensive brands or items. No flip-flops or sandals are allowed, and students should be able to participate fully and comfortably in class and PHE.

What about shoes and socks?

Our MYP students should wear the athletic shoes and socks of their choice. We encourage our students to express themselves! MYP students should also have dress shoes for special events.





What about jewelry and hair?

Jewelry and watches are allowed as a way for students to express themselves, so long as the choices are not distracting or disruptive. The same goes for hairstyles and coloring. Students are encouraged to add a bit of flair, particularly if there is cultural or personal significance. Smartwatches are permitted so long as they do not cause a distraction from learning. Each teacher has the discretion to determine if these items should be stowed in backpacks during learning time.

Your backpack = your style!

Students may choose their own backpacks; however, no rolling backpacks are permitted for safety reasons.

Connect with IST

We can't wait to see everyone's smiles and uniforms on campus for the 2022-23 School Year.

Feel free to post pictures of your back to school prep and to use #goist!!

If you have any questions about uniforms, please contact IST Director of Admissions, Charissa Bates, at c.bates@istexas.org.





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