

Uniform Guidelines

The uniform acts as an essential symbol of unity and equality, and cultivates a sense of community and pride in and around the school grounds. Appropriate daily uniform attire demonstrates a commitment to the ideals and values that members of the Castilleja community have pledged to uphold. Students are expected to adhere to the daily uniform as a means of showing respect for both their school and their peers.

Daily Uniform and Non-Uniform Days

Uniforms need to be neat, clean, and in good repair. Printing, non-Castilleja logos, or inappropriate decorations are not allowed on garments. Students are expected to be in proper uniform during the entire school day.

Halters, spaghetti straps, strapless tops, bare midriffs, and overly short skirts or shorts are not considered school attire and may not be worn either as part of the uniform or on non-uniform days. Skirts must be zipped up and buttoned and not rolled at the waist. Denim in any form is not part of the uniform.

Tops

Middle School

- Solid red, white, or navy blue polos with the 5Cs logo may be worn, as can plain white or navy blue polos (logo free).
- No collared blouses or shirts that are not polo material may be worn.
- Only plain white t-shirts may be worn under polos.

Upper School

- Plain white or navy blue polos or opaque blouses with collars may be worn.
- A solid red, white, or navy blue polo with the 5Cs logo is acceptable.
- Plain white or navy blue turtlenecks may be worn as a uniform top.
- Only plain white t-shirts may be worn under any of the accepted uniform tops.

Skirts, Pants, and Shorts (Middle School and Upper School)

- Uniform skirts are box-pleated, light-blue pinfeather (available for purchase from DENNIS Uniform or CUBUS). They must be at least as long as fully extended fingertips.
- Boxers or spandex shorts must be worn under skirts.
- Pants must be navy blue, cotton twill, or corduroy material, and ankle length.
- Shorts are navy blue cotton twill walking shorts from DENNIS Uniform or CUBUS.

Sweatshirts and Sweaters (Second Layer)

Middle School

A Castilleja sweatshirt in navy, red, white, black, or grey, or a Castilleja sweater, may be worn directly over the uniform shirt.

- A Castilleja sweatshirt must have a Castilleja logo or say “Castilleja” somewhere on it.
- Only seniors may wear college sweatshirts, even on non-uniform days.

Upper School

Please note that, for uniform purposes, a sweatshirt or sweater is worn directly over the uniform shirt. It must be solid navy blue, white, gray, or black (logo-free) or a Castilleja sweatshirt or sweater. Only seniors may wear college sweatshirts, even on non-uniform days.

Coats and Jackets (Third Layer; Middle School and Upper School)

A coat or jacket is considered outerwear, worn for additional warmth in colder weather. It is worn OVER the uniform shirt AND a sweater or sweatshirt. Outerwear can be from any vendor and any color. Third layers should be removed in classrooms and in the Chapel Theater.

Shoes and Socks, Tights and Leggings (Middle School and Upper School)

- Closed-toe, closed-heel shoes must be worn at all times.
- Socks must be solid black, navy blue, or white. They may have a small discreet logo (e.g. Nike swoosh), but otherwise no patterns.
- Solid black, navy blue, or white leggings or tights may be worn. Leggings must come to mid-calf or longer.
- Sweatpants are not leggings and are not considered uniform attire.

Dress White Uniform

- A middy top must be worn as a shirt.
- A plain white pleated skirt (or white Bermuda-length shorts or white pants as approved by Division Heads and/or Deans) must be worn on the bottom.
- Each girl must wear the appropriate class tie.
- A cardigan or pullover navy blue sweater from DENNIS Uniform or CUBUS may be added; sweaters may be worn with the daily uniform as well. This is the only sweater that may be worn with Dress Whites. (No sweatshirts.)
- Plain white socks or footed tights are required.
- Solid, clean, single-colored, flat, closed-toe, closed-heel shoes in blue, black, white, or brown are permissible footwear. (Boots are not allowed.)

All students must purchase the Dress White skirt and top from DENNIS Uniform or CUBUS. One class tie per year is provided by the school.

Fitness Uniform and Dance Class Attire

- Short and long-sleeve dri-fit fitness shirts are available for purchase from the Casti Gear site OR a Castilleja fitness t-shirt from DENNIS Uniform or CUBUS may be worn.
- Any black fitness shorts (running shorts, mesh shorts, or yoga pants) or shorts from the Casti Gear site can be worn OR fitness shorts from DENNIS Uniform. If not purchased from the Casti Gear site (or DENNIS or CUBUS), the bottoms must be all black with no colors or designs.
- Athletic shoes (non-marking soles) and socks (solid black, navy blue, or white; they may have a small discreet logo, e.g. Nike swoosh, but otherwise have no patterns) are also required.
- For students taking dance or choreography, dance attire consists of:
 - Any Casti dri-fit fitness shirt (from the Casti Gear site). If not purchased from Casti Gear, then the top should be form-fitting, and solid color with no designs.
 - Black yoga pants (from the Casti Gear site or DENNIS). If not purchased from Casti Gear, the bottoms must be all black with no colors or designs, and jazz pants, capris, or footless leggings. No shorts or sweatpants are allowed.

Class Tie Colors

Class ties will be provided at the start of school each year (one per student). If parents/guardians desire a spare tie, they can be purchased new at DENNIS Uniform, or used, if available, through CUBUS. Class ties differentiate the grade levels according to the following color scheme:

MS Grade	Class Tie	US Grade	Class Tie
6th	Yellow	9th	Green
7th	Light Blue	10th	Orange
8th	Navy Blue	11th	Purple
		12th	Red

Uniform Supplier

DENNIS Uniform (<http://www.dennisuniform.com/>) is the official supplier for Castilleja uniforms.

Class, Club, or Athletic T-Shirts or Sweatshirts

On occasion, a club or team may wish to order a special piece of attire. All Castilleja attire must be ordered through our Business Office. Only school colors may be used on clothing intended to be worn as part of the uniform. The faculty advisor of the class, club, or team first approves the design and colors for the item.

Then a form should be obtained from the Division Head, followed by approval and a signature. The completed form should be returned to the Business Office for a cost estimate. The order will be placed by the Business Office in a quantity based on the specific number of students who have requested the item. All billing will be coordinated through the Business Office for club or team items.

CUBUS

Castilleja Used Book and Uniform Service (CUBUS) is located in the lower level of the Middle School Building. CUBUS recycles and resells used textbooks, uniforms, Fitness & Wellness clothes, and dresses for the Fabulous Daughter Dinner Dance. Along with providing an inexpensive source of textbooks and uniforms, CUBUS reduces our carbon footprint and funds all CSA programs. CUBUS is open all year and holds a book sale in the summer and a dress sale in the fall. CUBUS is staffed by parent volunteers.