



## WEARING A SCHOOL UNIFORM IS MANDATORY FOR STUDENTS IN ODYSSEY GROUP SCHOOLS

Starting from the September 2023 school year, all Odyssey Group schools have implemented a policy requiring students to wear a school uniform.

### 1. The educational principles behind wearing a school uniform

#### Reminder: What is a school uniform?

A school uniform is a set of clothing, made up of one or more pieces, that students are required to wear each day at school. Each uniform is specific to its school, usually featuring the school's crest or logo, which makes it easily identifiable. As such, it becomes one of the symbols of the school's culture. Above all, it represents a collective rule that unites students with their peers and helps them develop a sense of community and shared values.

Odyssey's decision to introduce school uniforms across all its schools is grounded in strong philosophical and educational values.

- **The uniform is a symbol of belonging to a united community, proud of its identity:**

Wearing the uniform expresses a sense of school pride and reinforces students' connection to their school. Just like a jersey in a sports team, a shared outfit highlights the importance of the group over the individual. The uniform helps build a collective identity. It enhances the school's visibility both internally and externally, and turns students into ambassadors of their institution.

- **The uniform promotes the values of discipline and simplicity:**

Dressing specifically for school marks a clear distinction between leisure and learning.

It serves as a reminder of the school's purpose, its rules, and the rights and responsibilities that come with being part of it.

The uniform also aims to teach children the value of simplicity.

It helps counter the influence of brands and consumerism, and fosters a sense of elegance and, above all, appropriate dress.

- **The uniform reinforces equality and harmony among students:**

While it may not eliminate social inequalities, the uniform reduces their visible expressions — such as branded clothing and accessories.

It also helps prevent the formation of cliques based on individual tastes or values.

As such, it becomes a valuable tool in preventing certain forms of violence, and even bullying.

## 2. The School Kit and Rules of Implementation at EFI Bucharest

**EFI Bucharest has established its own uniform kit and rules of implementation.**  
**The mandatory uniform kit upon registration for the 2025–2026 school year includes:**

- 1 blazer
- 2 short-sleeved polos (1 blue and 1 red)
- 2 long-sleeved polos (1 blue and 1 red)
- 2 white T-shirts for physical activities
- 1 sports jacket
- 1 pair of sports trousers
- 1 buttoned cardigan

**New families, as well as those already enrolled at EFI Bucharest, are also welcome to order additional items from the list provided by the school.**

### 2.1. Type of Outfits and Uniform Kit Composition

Daily outfit	Sport outfit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Polo / T-Shirt</li> <li>- Skirt</li> <li>- Dress</li> <li>- Cardigan</li> <li>- Sweat</li> <li>- Shirt</li> <li>- Blazer</li> <li>- Fleece jacket</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tracksuit</li> <li>- Short</li> <li>- T-Shirt</li> </ul>

## Uniform Policy and Dress Code Requirements

### Daily Uniform Requirements

The top worn as part of the daily uniform must be one of the following items from the official school kit: polo shirt, T-shirt, or shirt.

Any additional item (such as the blazer, fleece jacket, buttoned cardigan, or hoodie) must also be from the official school kit.

In the event of non-compliance with this protocol, the school will remind families of the uniform requirement. This reminder system will be presented for approval at the first School Council meeting of each new academic year, as part of the vote on the internal regulations.

### Complementary Clothing Not Included in the Official Kit

For bottoms worn with the daily uniform (trousers, leggings, skirts), a set of classic and neutral colors has been chosen: navy blue, white, red, grey, or black.



## Ordering and Billing Process

### Orders

The school centralizes all uniform orders and sends them to the supplier for production.

Parents will fill out an order form, after which they will receive an invoice by email. To place an order, families will consult the supplier's catalogue and sizing guide.

A first order will be placed at the end of the current school year, and a second one during the following school year.

### Payment

Payment is made **after** the reception and verification of the ordered items.

### Delivery and Distribution

Uniforms are delivered directly to the school campus. The school staff will then hand them over to parents.

### Uniform Exchange / Second-hand Sale

The school may organize a **uniform exchange** to facilitate the sale or donation of items between families.