

COSTS OF SCHOOL UNIFORMS

Uniforms, especially those having color and style requirements for every part of the **outfit**, are not easily affordable for many parents. Families who have elementary aged school children often face further financial difficulties as younger students participate in **excessive physical play** and are not always careful to protect their clothing. Additionally, young people of all ages change their clothing styles on a regular basis and grow rapidly, resulting in the **abandonment** of old clothing and requiring the purchase of new accessories. Also, it is important to note that even with uniforms, parents still need to purchase 'regular' clothes for when students are not in school, thus creating an **additional expense**. A 2012 presentation by North Brunswick Township Public Schools in New Jersey reported that the average cost for families to purchase uniform was **approximately** \$300 per student each year. This expense constituted a financial burden for most families.



outfit n.

outfit 强调是全套的那种行头，比如a wedding outfit
就指的是几套衣服裙子裤子和各种配饰。

excessive physical play

过多的肢体运动

abandonment n.

abandon 的名词形式

additional expense

额外的花销

approximately adv.

几乎…… 比nearly 语气更强一点

