

## ***Elementary Dress Code for Approved Non-Uniform Occasions***

The primary guidelines to be followed for approved non-uniform occasions are cleanliness, neatness, modesty, and style.

If the style of dress or the appearance is disruptive to the educational process or constitutes a clear threat to the safety and/or health of the student, it shall not be permitted at school.

Clothing not allowed for \$1.00 Dress Days is not allowed for other non-uniform occasions with the following exception:

**Elementary students** may wear appropriate holiday t-shirts for the following holidays: Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas, Valentine's Day, St. Patrick's Day, Mardi Gras, and Easter. The holiday t-shirts must be worn w/long blue jeans or uniform shorts/pants.

### ***\$1.00 Dress Days***

On \$1.00 Dress Days, uniforms do not have to be worn, but all students are expected to be clean, neat and to take reasonable pride in their appearance. Styles of dress that are extreme or test the limits of modesty are not allowed. Clothing that includes profanity, promotes the use of alcohol or tobacco, is derogatory to any class or category of people, or promotes political opinion is prohibited. Specific guidelines for approved non-uniform occasions include, but are not limited to, the following:

#### **Clothing**

- Neat, clean clothes of a conventional, decent, modest style must be worn.
- Tank tops, spaghetti strap, racer-back or backless clothing, or clothing that exposes the midsection are not to be worn.
- Shorts ARE NOT permitted unless they are CPS uniform shorts.
- Clothing with holes, tears, ravel, and patches are not to be worn.
- Split skirts should appear to be skirts and extend to the knee or below.
- Clothing or other articles bearing slogans or pictures promoting drugs, alcohol, tobacco, sex, profanity, obscenity, or any article that might cause disruption of the educational process are prohibited.
- Shirt tails must be tucked in at all times during the school day, including to and from the parking lots before and after school.
- Belts must be worn by male students.

#### **Shoes**

- Shoes must be worn at all times.
- Winter boots for 2<sup>nd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> grade, "Ugg's", Cowboy boots, leather boots, fringed boots, etc. are acceptable. **K3 – 1<sup>st</sup> grade are not allowed to wear boots for safety reasons.**
- No flip-flops, wedge heels, slippers, sandals, clogs, mules or rubber boots of any kind can be worn.

#### **Accessories**

- Sunglasses may not be worn in the buildings.
- No hats, caps, knit hats, or hoods may be worn in the building except on a so-designated Spirit Dress Day during Homecoming Week.
- Accessories of any kind that are disruptive to the educational process are prohibited.

### ***Spirit Dress Days***

Spirit Dress days are a privilege extended by the administration, with dates scheduled in advance. The continuation of Spirit Dress throughout the school year is evaluated by weekly compliance with the guidelines. In addition to the approved non-uniform guidelines above, on Spirit Dress days the following guidelines are in effect:

- Students may opt to wear the regular daily uniform instead of Spirit Dress.
- Students may wear jeans (NO holes, tears, ravel, and/or patches) or uniform pants/shorts with a spirit tee-shirt.
- If a student chooses to wear Spirit Dress, he/she may wear any tee-shirt/sweatshirt that carries a CP designation. The tee-shirt/sweatshirt may be an athletic/spirit team shirt, a CP club shirt, a CP event shirt, or a CP Athletic Club Spirit shirt.
- Shoes must be worn at all times. Winter boots for **2<sup>nd</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup> grade**, "Ugg's", Cowboy boots, leather boots, fringed boots, etc. are acceptable. **K3 – 1<sup>st</sup> grade are not allowed to wear boots for safety reasons.** No flip-flops, slippers, sandals, clogs, mules or rubber boots of any kind can be worn.

### ***Homecoming Week***

- During football homecoming week, students are allowed to dress according to the daily theme as set by the homecoming committee
- Students may dress in the designated theme for the day OR they must be in daily uniform.
- The general grooming codes (Spirit Dress, Non-Uniform) are **NOT** set aside for Homecoming Week; however, some specific guidelines may be set aside for the day, such as hats, socks, or shoes, with the **prior approval** of the principal/superintendent.

*The school administration shall be the final interpreter of the dress code, uniform and non-uniform.*