

NON-UNIFORMS DRESS CODE

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.

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

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 school approved tee-shirt/sweatshirt. The tee-shirt/sweatshirt may be an athletic/spirit team shirt, a CPS club shirt, a CPS event shirt, or a CPS Athletic Club Spirit shirt. (**Exception: PK3-1st girls may wear a cheer outfit with CP logo and boys may wear a football jersey with CP logo ONLY on pep rally days.**)
- Shirttails 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 with any garment with belt loops.
- Shoes must be worn at all times.
- **Athletic shoes only** are permitted on Spirit Dress Days.

\$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:

- Neat, clean clothes of a conventional, decent, modest style.
- Tank tops, spaghetti-strap, racer-back, backless clothing, or clothing that exposes the midsection or bare shoulder 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.
- Shirttails 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 with any garment with belt loops.
- Shoes must be worn at all times.
- Winter boots, "Uggs", Cowboy boots, leather boots, fringed boots, etc. are acceptable for 2nd – 5th grade students. ****For safety reasons, PK3 -1st Grade students are NOT allowed to wear boots of any kind.**

- Students must have athletic shoes to participate in PE/recess.
- No flip-flops, slippers, sandals, clogs, mules, high wedge/heeled shoes, or rubber boots of any kind can be worn.
- Sunglasses may not be worn in the building.
- No hats, caps, knit hats or hoods may be worn in the building.
- Accessories of any kind that are disruptive to the educational process are prohibited.

Homecoming Week

- During football homecoming week, students are allowed to dress according to the daily theme as set by the homecoming committee.
- Elementary students (K3-5th grade) may have modifications to the daily themes as determined by the Elementary Coordinator.
- 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 Head of School or his/her designee.

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Parents will be called to bring proper attire for most dress code violations. However, minor violations, such as having no belt or unapproved outerwear, will receive a written warning that must be signed by a parent. Disciplinary actions will be taken for repeated warnings.