

Nelson County School System
District-Wide Dress Code Policy
Adopted 1/20/04
Revised for 2009-2010 School Year

Shirts: (boys and girls): Solid colors only

Colors: Any solid color except black

Logos: Nelson County System/School name of any size is permitted; all other logos should be no larger than one inch in diameter.

Type: Polo shirt with fold-down collar; dress shirt with fold-down collar; turtleneck or mock turtleneck

Sleeve: Shirts may be long or short sleeve (no sleeveless or sheer). Sleeves cannot extend below the wrist.

Midriff: Front, back or side may not be exposed at any time. Either the outer or under garment must be tucked. If wearing only one garment, it must be tucked.

Sweatshirts/sweaters/vests: Solid colors only

Colors: Any solid color except black

All sweatshirts and sweaters/vests (v-neck, crew neck or cardigan) must be worn with dress code shirts (fold-down collar) or turtlenecks underneath. Attached hoods are acceptable, but must be removed from the head upon entering the building.

Sweatshirts/sweaters/vests may have pockets or pouches.

Pants/Overalls (boys and girls): Solid colors only

Colors: Any solid color

Types: Twill, chino, corduroy, denim or jean with plain or pleated front. Elastic waist slacks may be worn. No sweat/nylon jogging pants are allowed. Pants are to be worn at the waist (no sagging or excessively tight pants). Pants/overalls are not to have stripes, embroidery patterns, cargo pockets or side pockets. Overalls must be worn with shirts that have sleeves.

Skirts/Jumpers/Dresses (girls): Solid colors only

Colors: Any solid color

Types: Twill, chino, corduroy, denim or jean (no spandex/lycra or stretch material). Must meet or extend to the knee and may not have stripes, embroidery patterns, cargo pockets or side pockets. Slits may not be shorter than the knee. Shorts may be worn under the dress, skirt or jumper, but may not extend below the hem.

Dresses must have sleeves and backs. Jumpers must be worn with shirts that have sleeves.

Walking Shorts (boys and girls): Solid colors only

Colors: Any solid color

Types: Shorts must extend to the knee and may not have stripes, embroidery patterns, cargo pockets or side pockets.

Jackets/Coats/Outdoor apparel:

During class, all outerwear jackets (including wind breakers) are not to be worn in the classroom.

Hats and gloves must be removed upon entering the building.

Belts:

Belts are not mandatory; but if worn, they must be the appropriate length and buckled.

Shoes:

All sandals or shoes must have a back. Tennis shoes will be acceptable. Shoes with laces must be tied.

Backpacks:

Backpacks must be mesh or see-through material. No rolling backpacks are permitted.

General Expectations

- Any apparel or appearance (including but not limited to hair color, jewelry, make-up, hair style, etc.) that calls attention to itself will be responded to as deemed necessary. The administration has the final authority in determining appropriate school attire and appearance.
- Students may not carry or wear anything that advertises drugs, alcohol, tobacco products or anything that promotes or suggests lewd, dangerous or unacceptable messages.
- Clothing must not have holes or tears and must have finished hems. Pants and skirts must not drag the ground.
- Only one out of dress code day per month is permitted (or if scheduled cumulatively, can not exceed ten per year). Out of code days will be determined by the school administration. Student payment to participate will not be permitted.
- While students are expected to dress appropriately at after-school functions, they are not required to follow the dress code.
- JROTC uniforms and extracurricular activity jackets may be worn on designated days.