

HAYWOOD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
STANDARD DRESS CODE POLICY – REVISED MAY 2009

Purpose:

The School Board recognizes its obligation to provide schools where the health, safety, and welfare of the students who attend those schools are given paramount consideration and where a positive learning environment must be maintained.

The Board is aware of its obligation to make every effort to minimize the opportunities for student distraction and/or disruption in the schools.

The Board recognizes and understands that there is a strong correlation between appropriate attire and a positive learning environment.

General Information

- Beginning the first day of school, students in grades Pre K – 12 will be required to comply with the school standard dress code policy.
- A district logo is not required to appear on clothing but is permitted.
- All colors must be solid, that is, without patterns, designs, checks, slogans, etc.
- All principals and teachers/staff must carry out the above School Board policy and all other policies of the Haywood County Board of Education and the State Board of Education.
- All standard dress code pieces must be appropriately sized for the student, that is, they must be no more than one regular size smaller or larger than the student actually measures. Extra wide, extra full, extra long, and baggy or saggy pants are NOT acceptable. No skin-tight pants are allowed. All pants and shorts must be worn waist high.
- Manufacturer or store logos that appear on clothing may be no larger than a student I. D. Card.
- Students will be exempted from the standard dress code policy on picture days.
- Striped shirts, blouses, and/or slacks [plain or corduroy] are not permitted.
- Pants and shorts with drawstrings are permitted.
- Oversized coats and large overcoats cannot be worn during school hours and trench coats are not permitted on campus.
- All male students must wear shirts tucked neatly into the waists of their pants.

- For males, a belt must be visible and must be worn if the garment has belt loops.

HCS Standard Dress Code Policy – Girls	COLORS	HCS Standard Dress Code Policy – Boys	COLORS
<p>A. TOPS – cannot be altered by elastic bands, clips, knots, or other means</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • standard golf shirt, long or short sleeve • standard oxford style, long or short sleeve • blouse (must have collar that buttons to the neck) • standard crewneck or turtleneck (can be worn under the uniform shirt, sweater, or vest) 	<p>White, Light Pink Navy, Royal Purple</p> <p>White, Light Pink Navy, Royal Purple</p> <p>White, Light Pink Navy, Royal Purple</p> <p>White</p>	<p>A. TOPS – cannot be altered by elastic bands, clips, knots, or other means</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • standard golf shirt, long or short sleeve (must be tucked in) • standard oxford style, long or short sleeve (must be tucked in) • standard crewneck or turtleneck (can be worn under the uniform shirt, sweater, or vest) 	<p>White, Light Pink Navy, Royal Purple</p> <p>White, Light Pink Navy, Royal Purple</p> <p>White</p>
<p>B. BOTTOMS</p> <p>Long pants (cannot touch the floor or be frayed/cut)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • pleated or plain • plain or cuffed bottoms • cargo pants <p>Standard Shorts (must be knee length)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • pleated or plain front • plain or cuffed bottoms • cargo shorts <p>Capri Length Pants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pleated or plain front • Plain or cuffed bottom • Cargo pants 	<p>Black, Khaki, Navy</p> <p>Black, Khaki, Navy</p> <p>Black, Khaki, Navy</p>	<p>B. BOTTOMS</p> <p>Long pants (cannot touch the floor or be frayed/cut)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • pleated or plain • plain or cuffed bottoms • cargo pants <p>Standard Shorts (must be knee length)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • pleated or plain front • plain or cuffed bottoms • cargo shorts 	<p>Black, Khaki, Navy</p> <p>Black, Khaki, Navy</p>

<p>Standard Skirt/Skort (must be knee length or longer)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No mini skirts No floor length skirts Tights/knee length socks may be worn with skirt/skort <p>Standard Jumper</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No denim 	<p>Black, Khaki, Navy</p> <p>Black, Khaki, Navy</p>		
<p>C. Footwear</p> <p>Footwear is required.</p> <p>Note:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Footwear must be laced, tied, strapped, or hooked if applicable</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Spiked heels, bedroom slippers, or house-shoes are not permitted. <u>NO flip-flops.</u></p>		<p>C. Footwear</p> <p>Footwear is required.</p> <p>Note:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Footwear must be laced, tied, strapped, or hooked if applicable</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Spiked heels, bedroom slippers, or house-shoes are not permitted. <u>NO flip-flops.</u></p>	
<p>D. Optional Attire</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> crewneck/v-neck sweater (must be worn with a uniform top) standard cardigan or vest (must be worn with a uniform top) jacket (light) – must be unzipped No hooded jackets/sweaters will be allowed above 2nd grade 	<p>White, Light Pink, Navy, Royal Purple</p> <p>White, Light Pink, Navy, Royal Purple</p> <p>White, Light Pink, Navy, Royal Purple</p>	<p>D. Optional Attire</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> crewneck/v-neck sweater (must be worn with a uniform top) standard cardigan or vest (must be worn with a uniform top) jacket (light) – must be unzipped No hooded jackets/sweaters will be allowed above 2nd grade 	<p>White, Light Pink, Navy, Royal Purple</p> <p>White, Light Pink, Navy, Royal Purple</p> <p>White, Light Pink, Navy, Royal Purple</p>

E. At the principal's discretion with district office approval:

- Students may wear school t-shirt and/or uniform shirt along with denim (School Spirit Day).
- Organizations may wear uniforms for induction programs.
- Sports teams may wear approved uniforms on game days.
- Students may dress out of standard dress code for certain programs.

F. Uniform Violation Consequences

- 1st Offense Office Referral - A Dress Code letter will be sent to the parent(s). Contact will be made with parent(s) to find out if there is need for assistance.
- 2nd Offense Office Referral - Parent notification and student will be changed into proper dress code from uniform closet.
- 3rd Offense Office Referral - Appropriate action as determined by the principal following School Board Policies (parent conference, in-school suspension, out-of-school suspension)

Repeat violations of this policy will result in appropriate action, including, but not limited to, referral to court for violation of the compulsory attendance laws.