

# Desert Horizon Elementary School Uniform Dress Code

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The staff, School Effectiveness Team (SET) and parents of Desert Horizon Elementary School believe that the way students dress for school affects their learning. Students who come dressed appropriately for learning are less distracted and are better prepared to learn. Therefore, Desert Horizon Elementary School parents and staff have implemented a mandatory uniform dress code policy.

*THE DESERT HORIZON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL UNIFORM DRESS CODE IS IN ADDITION TO THE PENDERGAST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT DRESS CODE POLICY AS FOUND IN THE PARENT-STUDENT HANDBOOK.*

## Tops:

- Solid white or solid navy blue **polo shirts** with short or long sleeves. Sleeveless is not acceptable. Lace ups, button up blouses or dress shirts are not acceptable.
- White/Navy Blue turtlenecks or mock turtleneck shirts are OK in cold months when worn under a polo shirt.
- No other colors, decorations, emblems, logos, etc. are allowed unless specifically approved by Desert Horizon School (i.e. Student Council, NJHS, Kids at Hope t-shirt, etc.). Shirts are solid white or solid navy blue polo shirts. No cinching.
- **Shirts, or other undergarments, worn underneath the uniform polo shirt must be solid white or solid navy blue with no pictures (i.e. T-shirts, undershirts).** Leggings must be solid white or solid navy blue.

TOPS MAY NOT BE SKIN TIGHT OR OVERSIZED. MID-SECTION MAY NOT BE EXPOSED WITH RAISED ARMS.

## Bottoms:

- Plain navy blue (dark blue), pants shorts, skirts, capris, skorts, jumpers or dresses. **NO ATHLETIC SHORTS. NO SWEAT PANTS.** NO BLUE JEANS(denim material, decorative stitching are not allowed). NO CINCHING.
- All shorts, dresses and skirts must be of reasonable length. No more than 4 inches above the back of the knee and hemmed.

PANTS, SKIRTS, SHORTS, AND DRESSES MAY ONLY BE ONE SIZE LARGER THAN MEASURED WAIST SIZE. PANTS MUST BE WORN AT THE WAIST (NO SAGGING). CLOTHING MAY NOT BE SKIN TIGHT.

## Belts:

- If pants or shorts have belt loops, a belt may be worn. The belt may be blue, black, brown or white. The buckle must be plain without any writing or symbols. The belt may not be more than one size larger than the waist. Excess belt **cannot** hang down.

## Shoes:

- Athletic shoes with standard shoelaces. For safety, shoelaces must be tied properly. Shoes must be secured to feet.
- Dress shoes or sandals with backs may be worn on days when the student does not have Physical Education class. No flip-flops. No shoes with wheels. **NO SLIPPERS.**
- The soles of the shoes may not be higher than one inch.

## Outerwear:

ALL OUTERWEAR MUST CONFORM TO THE UNIFORM DRESS CODE WHEN IN THE CLASSROOM. OUTERWEAR WHICH IS NOT CONFORMING TO THE UNIFORM DRESS CODE MAY **NOT** BE WORN INSIDE THE CLASSROOM.

- Solid white or solid navy blue outerwear may be worn inside the classroom when worn over the polo shirt. Outerwear may include sweaters, sweatshirts, jackets, and coats.

## **All students must adhere to the following dress code:**

1. Students and their clothing must be clean. Faded and ripped clothing is not acceptable.
2. No oversized, overly wide, or "sagging" clothing.
3. No jewelry that could cause injury or disrupt the educational environment, such as long earrings or facial jewelry. No gauges, snake bites, hooks or loops.
4. No visible tattoos or other marks on skin.
5. No make-up which is distracting to the learning environment.
6. No hair-dye which is distracting to the learning environment.
7. Hats, hoodies, and sunglasses cannot be worn in the classroom.
8. No gang related items, symbols on campus.

Note: NEW STUDENTS HAVE ONE WEEK (5 School Days) FROM THE DAY OF THEIR ENROLLMENT TO BE IN UNIFORM.