

## Pendergast Elementary School Uniform Dress Code

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The Pendergast Elementary School Community believes that the way students dress for school affects their learning. Students who come to school dressed appropriately for learning are less distracted and are better prepared to learn. School uniforms also help promote school safety, as strangers are easily identifiable.

All students are permitted to wear:

### Tops:

- Navy, Light Blue or white collared polo style shirts with long or short sleeves. Turtleneck or mock-turtleneck shirts are ok in the colder months. Shirts must be solid. No colored trim anywhere.
- Undershirts (long/short sleeve) must be uniform color
- Tops may not be skin tight. Mid-section may not be exposed with raised arms.
- No other colors, decorations, emblems, logos, etc. are allowed unless specifically approved by administration.
- School t-shirts may be worn in place of school uniform shirts.

### Bottoms:

- Plain Navy or Khaki uniform pants, shorts, skirts, capris, skorts, jumpers (no jeans, corduroy, sweat pants or nylon athletic type pants are allowed)
- All shorts, pants, dresses and skirts must be of reasonable length (4 inches above the back of the knee and no longer than one inch below the knee) and hemmed.
- Pants may not be rolled up or banded by rubber bands
- No other colors, decorations, emblems, logos, decorations (chains, buckles, ornaments) are allowed
- All bottoms are solid color only. Not color trim anywhere
- Slacks, skirts, shorts and dresses may only be one size larger than measured waist size. Slacks must be worn at the waist (no sagging). **BOTTOMS MAY NOT BE SKIN TIGHT.**
- Leggings may be worn under dresses and skirts and must be solid and uniform color. Leggings are NOT pants!

### Shoes:

- Closed-toed shoes which cover both the toes and heels (For safety reasons, Slides are not permitted.)
- Athletic shoes must be worn with standard shoelaces. For safety, laces must be tied.
- The soles of shoes may not be higher than one inch.
- Socks must be worn.

### Outerwear:

- All outerwear must conform to the uniform dress code policy when in the classroom. Outerwear that does not conform to the uniform policy **may not** be worn inside the classroom.
- Solid uniform color (Navy, Light Blue, and White) outerwear may be worn in the classroom. This includes sweaters, sweatshirts, coats and jackets. Inappropriate designs or pictures are not permitted.
- Outerwear may not be baggy or oversized.

### Other clothing or personal items not permitted on campus:

- Clothing must be clean. Extremely faded or ripped clothing is not permitted.
- Leggings are permitted under a skirt or dress only.
- Oversized, baggy, sagging clothing is not permitted.
- See-through clothing or exposed midriffs are not permitted.
- Jewelry or piercings that could cause injury (to self or others) or disrupt the educational environment is not permitted.
- Students are not permitted to write on their body or clothing..
- Phones must be put away and never visible at school. Visible phones will be confiscated. Headphones may not be synced to phones during the school day.
- Site Administrators can determine if hats or headgear are allowed. Students shall remove their hat or headgear when requested to do so by staff.
- Students must adhere to Pendergast District Dress Code on designated "dress down" days
- Confiscated items may be picked up by students at the end of the day after the first offense. Items must be picked up by parents upon second offense. **THIS INCLUDES CONFISCATED CELL PHONES.**

### Students that enroll mid-year have 5 school days from the day of their enrollment to be in uniform.

It is the responsibility of parents and students to ensure compliance with the dress code. A student who is out of compliance with the dress code will be loaned a school uniform to wear for the day (If available) or parents will be contacted to bring appropriate clothing. We have limited funding to assist families with financial need. Please speak with our counselor if you are in need of uniform assistance.