

Parental Partnership: Dress Code

To enable students to reach high academic standards, the school has put in place a dress code designed to reduce distractions and competitions. Implementing a simple, flexible, cost-effective dress code promotes student learning and increased academic instruction time. Interpretation of the Dress Code is at the principal and staff's discretion and their decision is final.

Personal Hygiene

The personal grooming of students should be in accord with the standards set by the uniform dress code. Students should be clean and neat when at school.

CLOTHING ITEMS NOT LISTED BELOW SHOULD NOT BE WORN

All Students

- White shirts with collars (includes mock turtleneck, long- or short-sleeved, cotton or knit) must be worn.
- Solid color brown, black, navy, or burgundy shoes (loafer type or casual dress) must be worn. Solid black tennis shoes are also permitted. Shoes with wheels on the bottom are not permitted. Shoes should have hard soles and be made for outside of the house use.
- Cold weather attire may include solid-colored sweaters or vests that are navy, white, beige, tan, burgundy, rust, or dark green.
- Green BVA sweatshirts (order through PTO) are permitted.
- Students must wear white or navy socks (or tights for girls).
- Hats of any kind are not permitted.
- Extreme hairstyles (i.e., Mohawks, tails, cut designs, extreme color variations, etc.) are not permitted. Hair color must be of natural tones.
- Any shirt worn under the uniform shirt must be white.
- Hooded sweatshirts are not permitted.
- Wearing, carrying, and displaying gang paraphernalia, names, signs, or symbols of gang membership are prohibited.
- Uniform shorts that reach the knees and capri pants may be worn until October 1 and after May 1.
- Belts must be worn with pants or shorts that have belt loops.
- Spirit days are the last Friday of each month. On these days, students may wear their BVA spirit shirts with navy blue uniform pants (K-8) or khaki uniform pants (6-8 only).

Boys

- Boys must wear navy or dark blue uniform pants or uniform shorts. Shirts must stay tucked into pants or shorts at all times. Cargo pants are not considered uniform pants.
- Hairstyles must be conservative with hair being off the collar.
- Earrings and other body piercing ornaments are not permitted.

Girls

- Girls must wear navy or dark blue uniform pants, skirts, skorts, or jumpers. All shirts must stay tucked into skirts and/or pants. All bottoms must be either longer than the fingers when the student's arms hang at her sides or no more than three inches above the knees.
- A reasonable number of earrings are permitted. Only ears may be pierced.
- Leggings are not permitted.
- Makeup is not permitted.

Spirit Day

BVA School Spirit Day occurs the last Friday of each month. Students are permitted to wear a BVA spirit shirt with their uniform pants or skirts. A BVA spirit shirt relates to school sports' teams, 6th grade camp shirts, school sponsored field trip shirts, cheer teams, or Challenge Day shirts.

Middle School Students

- Middle school students may wear light blue shirts with collars (includes mock turtle necks, long- or short-sleeved, cotton, or knit).
- Middle school students may wear uniform khaki pants or shorts. Belts must be worn with pants and shorts that have belt loops. Shirts must stay tucked into pants or shorts.

