

2024-2025 Middle School Dress Code

BCD's core values guide our relations, influence our language and actions, and inspire the way we present ourselves. We ask all students to be dressed in a way that is conducive to, and does not distract from, learning or the inclusion of others. Making simple decisions with regards to the way we dress frees our minds to focus on other more complex pursuits and helps create a positive, shared experience to which we all belong.

The following dress code policies, including free dress, are in effect while the student is representing BCD, not merely during school hours (i.e. outdoor education, field trips, athletic events, etc.). Although we offer suggestions for where to purchase the clothes that fit within the defined parameters, you are welcome to shop elsewhere. Our recommended vendors are [Lands' End](http://www.landsend.com): (800-469-2222 or www.landsend.com - preferred school number is 900055971) and [Tommy Hilfiger](http://www.globalschoolwear.com) School Uniforms (www.globalschoolwear.com – preferred school code is BOUL01). Other vendors that sell lines that fit within our dress code include: Target, Kohls, Old Navy, GAP and others. We also have a gently used (and often new) dress code closet in the lobby of the Gym. Families receiving financial assistance may shop at the store for free all year long.

Parent/Guardian Expectations

Please purchase clothes that meet our guidelines, setting students up for success by reinforcing the importance of our dress code, and understanding and supporting teachers when they need to take actions to correct choices that are out of dress code.

Regular Day Dress Code (Monday - Thursdays)

Clothing must be neat and clean. Clothing must provide appropriate coverage and be in good repair; no rips, frayed edges, tears, or holes.

Shirts

- Any BCD branded shirt, short or long-sleeved collared shirts, blouse, or polo shirt in any solid color.
- Logos under 2" in size are permitted
- Shirts must not reveal stomach/midriff

Pants

- Any solid colored, non-athletic pants.
- Denim is allowed.

Shorts

- Any solid colored, non-athletic shorts.
- Dress must reflect modesty and be appropriate in length.

Skirts/Dresses

- Any solid colored skirt of appropriate length. Maxi skirts are acceptable.

Sweatshirts/Sweaters

- Any patterned and solid colored sweater/sweatshirt may be worn during the school day, however no writing or logos over 2 inches are permitted.

Accessories

- **Socks/Tights/Leggings:** Any solid color or patterned matching socks, anklets, knee socks, footless tights, or tights.
 - If leggings and tights are chosen to be worn, they must be under dresses/skirts/shorts
- **Jewelry/Accessories/Makeup:** All should be minimal and should not distract from learning.
- **Hats:** Hats are not to be worn in the buildings.

Regular Dress Restrictions (Monday - Thursday)

- Hats, hoods, and outdoor jackets may not be worn in the building.
- Open toed or high heeled shoes are not permitted.
- Clothing that contains messages of any kind is not permitted.
- Pajama pants, sweatpants, yoga or athletic shorts/pants are not part of our Regular Dress Code.

Friday Dress - Spirit Wear

- Students should wear a BCD branded shirt to show school spirit.
- Athletic shorts/pants and yoga pants can be worn on Friday only.
- All clothing should reflect modesty.

Physical Education Dress:

Students will change into PE dress each day in which they have Physical Education.

- **Shirts:** Any BCD t-shirt (no collar) must be worn as the PE uniform. Non-BCD shirts are not permitted
- **Shorts/Pants:** Athletic shorts or pants made from a comfortable fabric such as nylon or cotton blends. Running tights and yoga pants are permitted. Length guidelines: Shorts must be at least 3-4-inch inseam. Students may be asked to wear sweatpants if necessary.
- **Sweatshirts and Sweatpants:** These are optional but recommended for inclement weather. These must be worn over the required PE uniform.
- **Shoes:** Athletic tennis shoes with laces or Velcro and a soft rubber sole are required and comfortable socks should be worn for safe participation.

Free Dress Days (as announced): Free dress days will be announced throughout the school year and can include some off-campus activities (i.e. field trips, school dances, etc.).

- **Skirts/Skorts/Shorts/Pants:** Pants, including jeans, cargos, capris, yoga pants, running tights, or shorts with no tears or rips. Shorts must adhere to regular dress guidelines. Dresses must be sleeved. Strapless or spaghetti straps and pajama pants are not part of our dress code.
 - Length guidelines: Must adhere to regular dress policy.
- **Shirts:** Blouses and shirts, including T-shirts, must be free of inappropriate slogans or illustrations, rips, or tears. Tank tops, tops exposing the midriff or shoulders, and strapless or spaghetti straps are not allowed.
- **Shoes:** Same as regular dress guidelines.

There are circumstances where a student's needs may require an accommodation to the dress code. This will be discussed in conversation with the student's advisor, the learning center, and the Division Head.

Dress Code Infraction Protocol

1. Using our Parents' Association Dress Code Closet, the student will change clothes and will email home to notify parents/guardians.
2. Using our Parent Association Dress Code Closet, the student will change clothes and the Division Head or Assistant Head will email home to notify parents/guardians.
3. The student will call home and require parents to bring change of clothes to the student and pull them out of class so that they may change clothes.
4. If infractions continue, we will repeat Step 3 and require a parent meeting with the Division Head.