

Student Dress Code

All students in grades K-8 are expected to wear uniforms.

Effective Date: A two week grace period may be granted for any newly enrolled student (10 days).

Mandatory Dress: All students are expected to dress according to the following dress standards:

1. Dress and grooming shall neither present a risk to the health, safety, or general welfare of students or others in the school nor interfere with or disrupt the educational environment or process.
2. Clothing, jewelry and other accessories shall not display lewd, vulgar, obscene or plainly offensive language or symbols. Dress, accessories, and grooming including but not limited to hair graphics, manicures, pedicures, eyebrow shavings shall not be contrary to the current curriculum goals and/or educational objectives in a manner such as advertising, promoting or picturing gang representation, alcoholic beverages, tobacco, drugs, sexual or violent behavior.
3. No clothing, jewelry, accessories or combination of colors affiliated with gang involvement may be displayed during the school day or at school related functions.
4. Hats, caps, sunglasses, sweatbands, bandanas and hairnets are prohibited inside the building. This includes picks/combs worn in hair.
5. Students shall wear a plain, solid, **gray** shirt with a collar, or gray collared shirt with district logo only. Shirts may be long or short sleeved.
6. Only plain gray or white undergarments may be worn underneath uniform shirts.
7. Plain, solid navy blue or gray sweaters or sweatshirts without hoods are allowed. Uniform shirt must be worn under these items and collar must be visible. All other outerwear must be kept in lockers during the school day with the exception of lunch period.
8. Students shall wear navy blue pants/slacks. Jeans, sweatpants and cargo pants are not allowed. Pants must be fitted properly for safety and worn at the waist. Pants that are too long or too baggy are not allowed. Rubber bands or any type of bands used on the bottom of pant legs are not allowed.
9. Students may wear plain, navy blue skirts that are an appropriate length as deemed by the administration (generally mid-thigh or longer).
10. Students may also wear plain, navy blue shorts that are an appropriate length as deemed by the administration (generally mid-thigh or longer). Cargo shorts are not allowed.
11. If a belt is worn, it must be brown or black, and must be looped appropriately; the buckle must be plain with no markings on the belt.
12. Shoes must be solid black, gray, white, or brown or a combination of these colors. Athletic shoes (gym shoes) may be solid black, gray, white or brown. A brand logo may be visible if appropriate for a school setting. Both shoes must be of the same color. Shoes shall be worn appropriately with the tongue tucked inside the shoes. Flip flops and sandals are not allowed. Shoes worn must have a back.
13. Shoelaces must be worn appropriately. Shoelaces must be of the same color on each shoe. Tie shoes must have laces that are the same color as the majority of the shoe and must be laced in the traditional manner.
14. Socks must be of the same color on each foot. Only black, gray, navy blue or white socks may be worn.
15. Clothes shall fit properly. Oversized clothing, extremely baggy clothing or improperly fitted clothing is not allowed.
16. Clothing shall not expose the chest, abdomen, genital area or buttocks, and shall be sufficient to conceal undergarments at all times. Clothing, such as transparent fabrics, low-cut tops, bare midriffs, tight-fitting or excessively short skirts or shorts are not allowed.
17. Certain exceptions to the dress code may be made by the administration on special occasions, such as a school sponsored picture day, dress-up day or a dance.
18. The administration may modify the dress code as the need arises.

Penalties for Violations: The District Dress Code is designed to prevent serious disruption to the orderly educational process of the school and to prevent gang-related activities. Consequently, a dress code violation may be considered an inappropriate behavior on the Cicero School District Disciplinary Report. A student who causes a serious disruption to the orderly educational process or wears clothing, accessories, or jewelry that displays affiliation with gangs will be subject to discipline in accordance with the Student Discipline Procedure.