

Dress Code FAQs

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- Q: What about zip-up sweaters? Do they count as a shirt that should be zipped up, or can it be left zipped part of the way?
- A: Zip-up sweaters are fine, as long as they meet other dress code criteria. They may be worn zipped, partially zipped, or not zipped.
- Q: Do tops have to be tucked in?
- A: All boys' shirts must be tucked in. All tee shirts for boys and girls must be tucked in at all times. Sweaters do not have to be tucked in. Girls' shirts with side vents may be untucked if the front and back flaps are the same length.
- Q: Can I wear a sundress or strapless dress or top if I wear a sweater over it?
- A: No. If you cannot wear the dress or top without the sweater, don't wear it at all.
- Q: Are flip flops okay for girls on Wednesday?
- A: Yes. Ideally, they will be nice-looking, not grungy.
- Q: What is meant by a "high" neckline?
- A: Think in terms of your collar bone. Almost always, if your top comes to your collar bone, we won't have a problem.
- Q: How long must skirts and dresses be?
- A: We don't have a rule that involves inches, but skirts and dresses should be no shorter than just above your knee. Some times the length looks okay in front, but the slit is too high, or the skirt rides up in the back and is much shorter than the wearer realizes.
- Q: Are denim jackets okay for girls on Wednesdays?
- A: Yes. You may not wear denim skirts, however.
- Q: If a girl wears one shirt over another, do they have to be tucked in?
- A: One top or shirt may not stick out from under the other one.
- Q: Can you clarify the two-shirt rule?
- A: If you wear Top A over Top B, you have to be able to wear Top A by itself *and* Top B by itself. If you can't wear them separately, putting them together violates the rule. If we can see Top B at all, we will ask if it is a top that could be worn to school by itself.
- We do not want to see camisoles at all, regardless of what color they are or whether they have lace. If your camisole can be seen at all, you are in violation.
- Be aware, too, that stacking several shirts in layers actually makes the top shirt look very tight, and that's not okay. Girls' shirts and tops must not cling to the body (must not be form-fitting).
- Q: May I wear crocheted, sheer, or mesh tops?
- A: You may wear a crocheted, sheer, or mesh tops if what you have on under them would be acceptable by itself. In other words, you would not be able to wear one of these garments over a tank top.
- Q: What about leggings?
- A: Leggings may not be worn, even under skirts or dresses. Both spandex and garments that are form-fitting are in the not-permitted lists.