

Dress Code

The purpose of a dress code is to ensure an effective learning environment, to maintain a favorable school image, and promote positive self image among students. Cleanliness and neatness are key elements to an effective dress code and are vital to a student's preparation to learn.

The dress code will begin the first day of school and will be enforced all year. On first offenses, parents will be called to bring correct clothing. Students may be sent to in-school suspension or home for dress code violations. There will be zero tolerance for dress code violations.

Uniforms can be purchased at Fred's in Grambling, The Children's Shoppe, Dollar General, Medical Connection, Goody's, and Wal-Mart. You may want to shop early to make sure they are available.

Rules for All Students:

- A. Apparel should be worn as designed (belts buckled, pants at the waist, shoestrings tied, shirts buttoned, etc.) and be free of holes and tears. Excessively tight clothing will not be permitted.
- B. Shirt tails must be tucked in.
- C. See-through apparel cannot be worn.
- D. Caps, hats, and skull/wave caps shall not be worn or carried on campus or the bus.
- E. Students may wear toboggan caps to school during cold or inclement weather provided they are not worn inside any school building.
- F. Sweat bands, scarves, bandanas, picks, combs, or visors are not to be worn or carried on campus/bus.
- G. Unnatural hair color is not permitted, (blue, purple, green, etc.) Hair must be clean and combed neatly out of eyes.
- H. Necklaces or medallions may not be worn.
- I. Jelly bracelets may not be worn.
- J. Rolling backpacks are not permitted.

Rules for Male Students:

- A. Pants shall fit and be worn at the waist. Sagging will not be allowed.
- B. Oversized coats and trench coats shall not be worn.
- C. Males may not wear earrings or any other visible body jewelry. This includes nose, lip, tongue, eyebrow, etc. piercing.
- D. No cologne due to other's allergies

Rules for Female Students:

- A. Clothing that allows the showing of undergarments shall not be worn.
- B. Girls may wear one set of appropriate earrings, but all other visible body piercing jewelry is not allowed.
- C. No makeup can be worn or brought to school. No perfume or body spray should be used or brought to school due to other's allergies. Body glitter is not allowed.
- D. No lipstick, false eyelashes, or fake fingernails

Uniform Policy

Pants/Shorts/Capris:

Colors: Khaki

Fabric: Cotton or cotton polyester twill (no knit, rayon, or denim)

- Shorts must measure no more than 2" above the knee.
- Pants must be hemmed at the bottom; no cuts or rips
- No cargo pants, bell bottoms, hip huggers, labels, or logos
- No pockets on legs of pants.

Shirts:

Colors: Solid red, black, or white. (in **Ruston district** schools only)

* Shirt colors for **Simsboro, Choudrant, Dubach, or Hico** may be different

Style: Polo with collar (long sleeve or short sleeve)

- Girls' polos may have rounded collars
- Long sleeve or short sleeve plain oxford shirts may be worn.
- No ties, zippers, snaps, etc.
- Logo and emblem free
- Shirt tails must be long enough to remain tucked in when arms are raised.

Skirts/Skorts/Jumpers:

Colors: Khaki (may be pleated)

Fabric: Cotton or cotton polyester twill. No Knit, rayon, or denim.

Length: Must measure no more than 2" above the knee. Side, front, or back slits must

- Be no higher than 2" above the knee.
- Skirts, skorts, and jumpers must be worn with uniform shirt.

Socks/Tights:

Colors: Solid white

Undergarments:

- Must not be visible through clothing.
- Only white short sleeve t-shirts are allowed under Uniform shirts.

Shoes:

Tennis shoes **ONLY** with backs (closed in)

Belts:

Colors: Solid brown or black. (plain)

- Must be worn at the waist, visible, and buckled at all times.
- Must not hang down from the waist.
- **If pants have belt loops, a belt must be worn.**
- Belt buckles must be plain and not oversized (no sparkle or jeweled buckles)

Coats/Jackets/Sweaters/Sweatshirts:

- Jackets may be of windbreaker style or traditional short coat style.
- No Starter jackets with Logo (i.e. New Orleans Saints, Dallas Cowboys, etc.)
- Solid color jackets without logos are permitted.
- If students wear sweaters, sweatshirts, or any type of jacket that will remain on during the day, it must be SOLID RED, WHITE, or BLACK and LOGO FREE.
- No hoods, zippers, logos, pockets, or logos on sweatshirts.
- No trench coats allowed.
- No “puffy” jackets are allowed.

NOTE TO PARENTS:

Any item of clothing that disrupts the normal educational process by being distasteful, obscene, dangerous, or destructive will not be allowed. The dress code will begin the first day of school and will be enforced all year. On first offenses, parents will be called to bring correct clothing. Students may be sent to In School Suspension or home for dress code violations. **There will be zero tolerance for dress code violations.** If a student brings an item to school that is against school policy, or causes a disruption to the educational process, it will be taken and kept in the school office until the last day of school. The office will not be held responsible for the safe-keeping of these items.