K-8 Dress Code Bishop Heelan Catholic Schools

Members of the BHCS community believe performance in school is improved by setting standards of dress that reflect pride in one's self and in one's school. The dress code that has been established promotes unity in an equitable manner. It especially attempts to address equity from the standpoint of gender and socio-economic status.

Any student who dress appears to circumvent the spirit and intent of the dress code is not in compliance. The principal will determine issues of interpretation. If a student is unable to comply with the dress code, that student should obtain an Out of Uniform Pass from the principal's office before the start of the school day. This slip is to be presented to each teacher. Parents will be notified when their child is not in compliance. This may result in disciplinary action. These students will need someone to bring the needed clothing from home or borrow suitable clothing, if available.

Enforcement

It is the parent's responsibility to have the student in uniform and dressed appropriately each day. If a child is out of uniform without permission, they will need to obtain an out of uniform pass from the office before school. This is to be given to each teacher the child may have that day. 1st occurrence: Parent will be notified and a copy of the dress code policy will be sent home and needs to be returned signed by the parent.

- 2nd occurrence: Parent will be notified and expected to bring correct clothing to school.
- 3rd occurrence: Child will be given a detention after notification to parents. K-4 misses recess.

Shirts/Turtlenecks/T-Shirts Sweaters/Sweater Vest

Solid plain sweaters, which are white, gray or dark navy blue, (buttoned cardigans, crew, V-neck, or vest) may be worn. Uniform shirts/turtlenecks must be worn under the sweater. Sweaters must be properly worn, not draped or tied and may not have a hood. The BCHS logo and any logo less than the size of a 50-cent piece are also acceptable.

Sweatshirts

Any BHCS navy, white, or gray sweatshirt/fleece/pullover without a hood is allowed with a uniform shirt underneath.

Socks

Socks of solid white, navy blue, black or gray must be worn with all footwear. Socks must be visible above the top of the shoe. Tights or leggings can be worn under a skirt, but they must be plain navy blue or gray with no pattern.

Shoes

We encourage our K-5 students to wear tennis shoes every day. Dress shoes, dress boots, or mules in black and/or brown tones, clean, neat, and unadorned can be worn. During winter months you must have an alternative shoe to wear out to recess. Tennis shoes clean, neat, and unadorned may be properly worn.

Grooming

Makeup is not allowed for students in grades TK-5. No unusual or distracting hairstyles, hair accessories and/or hair colors are allowed. Students' hair must be out of their eyes. Male students' hair must not touch the eyebrows, not touch the collar of the shirt while standing and may touch but not cover the ear (flipping the hair up to circumvent male hair cut items will result in a warning). Male students must be clean-shaven and may not have sideburns below the ear lobe, nor may sideburns be excessive. Facial paint, glitters, sparkles, etc. are not allowed. A temporary hair style to circumvent the intent of this policy is forbidden.

Jumpers

Only Girls K-5 may wear the plaid, navy or khaki jumper from Dennis Uniform Company. Plaid color is listed below.

Plaid: DD-255

Skirts/Skorts

Girls in grades K-12 may wear the Bishop Heelan plaid skirt from Dennis Uniform Company. The plaid uniform skirt must be purchased through the Dennis Uniform Company. Skirts must be worn at the waist and the length must be no shorter than a hands length from the knee when standing. Plaid color is listed below. Girls may also wear khaki, plaid or navy blue skorts. The skort is acceptable for year-round wear. The plaid uniform skort must be purchased through the Dennis Uniform Company. Skorts must be worn at the waist and the length must be no shorter than a hands length from the knee when standing. Plaid color is the same as the high school.

Shorts

Khaki or navy walking shorts may be worn (from the beginning of the academic year until October 31, and from April 1st until the closing of the school year). If shorts have belt loops, a black or brown leather, canvas, unadorned belt must be worn. Shorts must be clean and neat, unfrayed, uncut, unadorned. Shorts must be worn at the waist and the length must be no shorter than a hands length from the knee when standing. Snaps/Rivets and zippers on pockets are prohibited, the pockets must be on the inside. TK-2 belt is optional.

Slacks/Pants

Khaki or navy dress slacks/pants shall be worn. If slacks/pants have belt loops, a black or brown leather, canvas belt, unadorned in any way, must be worn for Grades 3-8. Dress slacks are defined as slacks/pants with pockets on the inside and legs that are not excessively tapered or close fitting. Slacks/pants must be clean and neat, unfrayed, uncut, and/or unadorned. Slacks/pants shall be worn at the waist. The pant leg shall reach the top of the shoe. Snaps/rivets and zippers on pockets are prohibited. TK-2 belt is optional.

Body Piercing/Jewelry

Girls

Small close fitting/ post-type style earrings are acceptable. Two earrings per ear are permitted. May wear watch and/or rings in moderation. If wearing a necklace, it should be small chain type. Simple bracelet may be worn.

Boys

Other body piercing is forbidden.

Physical Education Dress Code

Grades 6-8

May wear appropriate length athletic shorts and t-shirts. Sweatpants when teacher requested. Students will be expected to wear proper PE attire during all of regularly scheduled PE classes. Curriculum grading will be affected by adhering to the PE dress code policy.

All students

Regular tennis shoes, without thick soles must be worn.

Note: Jumpers, skirts, and plaid skorts must be purchased through Dennis Uniform Company Dennis Uniform Company, 726-740 N. 109th Court Omaha, NE 68154 PH (402) 496-9911