



Pocono Mountain West High School

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

We hope that you and your student(s) are enjoying the summer. In an effort to maintain the consistency at the Pocono Mountain School District with regards to the Standardized Dress Policy, *no* changes have occurred in how our students must dress when they return on August 29, 2022. Students will be expected to wear standardized dress code attire when they return to in-person instruction.

To assist you with “back-to-school” shopping for your students, a brief summary of our policy for student dress is found on the reverse of this letter. Use it as a guide for you and your student in selecting appropriate attire. Detailed information can also be found on the District’s web site.

In addition to the main requirements of the dress policy, please remember that the following inappropriate items may not be worn inside the buildings during school hours:

- Sheer or see-through clothing, hoodies, no matter what the color
- Pants worn below the waist
- Exposed underwear
- All hats and/or head coverings (except those permitted for religious reasons using the District approval process)
- Any apparel that is sexually suggestive and/or drug, alcohol, or tobacco related.
- The wearing/displaying of gang-related apparel including but not limited to: bandanas, beaded necklaces, scarves, and other clothing designed to display “colors” or affiliations.
- Eye brow rings/studs: metal, plastic, or any other materials.
- Tongue studs
- Nose or lip rings/studs

In addition to the dress policy, please remember that:

- *All electronic devices must be powered off upon entering the building and remain off until the student is leaving the school. All electronic devices and personal belonging must be properly stored in the student’s locker in the academic wing of the building. Electronic and personal items should not be placed in gym lockers. Electronic devices should not be visible.*

From experience, we know the appearance of our students sets the tone of the building and creates an atmosphere conducive to learning.

Additionally, because our goal is to focus on student learning and achievement, we strongly encourage your student to attend school daily and arrive with the necessary pens, pencils, notebooks, tissues and other personal necessities.

 **"To prepare students to be lifelong learners and productive citizens."** 

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We look forward to your student's arrival in August and the beginning of a great school year.

Respectfully,

WHS Administration

Bottoms:

- Dress, casual Docker ® style, or corduroy pants in Khaki, Navy Blue, Grey or Black;
- Length: Should meet the top of the shoe, but does not touch the floor
- Dress or casual Docker ® style shorts in Khaki, Navy Blue, Grey or Black;
- Length: No shorter than the top of the knee cap
- Dress or casual capri style pants in Khaki, Navy Blue, Grey or Black;
- Dress or casual skirt/skort in Khaki, Navy Blue, Grey or Black;
- Length: No shorter than the top of the knee cap

Shirts/Tops:

- Traditional 2 or 3 button Polo® shirts (full-torso with collar) in White, Grey, Navy Blue or Black
- Logos: Only District or PMSD school logo/emblem permitted
- Standard oxford style shirt/blouse (with collar) in White, Grey, Navy Blue or Black
- Logos: Only District or PMSD school/spirit wear logo/emblem and/or school sponsored activity logo/emblem permitted. **No Brand Name logos** (i.e. Nike®).

Dresses:

- Dresses with collars, short or long-sleeved in Khaki, Black, White, Grey, or Navy Blue
- Length: No shorter than the top of the knee cap; Maxi skirts & dresses permitted

Belts:

- Solid-colored buckled belts, worn at the natural waistline in Black, White, Tan, Khaki, Grey or Brown
- Belt buckles must be plain, standard, and appropriate length for the waist.

Optional Apparel: For layering purposes only in compliance with identified colors (White, Grey, Black, Navy Blue: Spirit apparel with the PMSD/Athletic and/or extra-curricular logo/emblem (polo, shirts, sweaters/vests, etc.) may be worn provided it meets the requirements set forth in the policy Sport team's uniform apparel may be worn on game day only and at the direction of the coach of the team

- Full-torso T-shirts
- Full-torso turtlenecks – mock or pullovers
- Full-torso cardigan sweaters
- Full-torso sweater vests or fleece
- Crewneck sweatshirts

Footwear: No heels in excess of 3 inches. No flip flops or bedroom slippers.

- Shoes
- Sneakers
- Boots
- Sandals with back strap
- Clogs or Crocs

Note: Standard Dress Code apparel is available at most clothing/retail stores. If you are experiencing difficulty locating any dress code item or have additional questions, please contact the building administration.