

2011-2012 Standardized Dress Code

Middle School

Shirts/Blouses:

- Collared shirts with only the top button unbuttoned
- Solid, plaid or striped
- Turtlenecks, solid colors only
- May have an emblem no larger than the size of a quarter, FCS Crest or Paladin Logo acceptable
- Must be long enough to tuck in and stay tucked in
- Must be tucked in at all times
- May wear a short sleeved dress code shirt over a long sleeve t-shirt or turtleneck in solid white, black, grey, maroon or navy

Don'ts: Oversized shirts (in length or width); any shirt that does not have a collar (t-shirts); collared shirts with a revealing or low neckline; sleeveless, strapless or v-neck shirts; form or tight fitting tops; tube top, spaghetti strap or tank top shirts worn as an outside layer

Pants, Shorts, Capris, Gauchos:

- Solid color in appropriate size
- Colors: khaki, khaki green, navy, grey, brown, black
- Boys – pants or shorts
- Girls – pants, capris, gauchos, or long walking shorts (no more than 3" above the top of the knee)
- Corduroy fabric and cargo style are acceptable
- Must be worn at the hips or waist

Don'ts: Denim, jeans of any color, plaid, or any colors other than approved listed above, pants with colors or designs on pockets or legs; oversized pants (in length or width); pants or shorts with frayed hems or slits; oversized pockets; cut-off shorts; gym shorts, sweatpants, drawstrings, spandex, leggings, warm-ups, pajama pants, or any clinging / form-fitting pants

Dresses/Skirts/Skortts:

- Length must be no shorter than the top of the knee including slits and cutouts even when worn with leggings
- May have conservative patterns and colors
- Neckline of dresses must be at the base of the neck (front and back)
- Dresses must have sleeves

Don'ts: Sleeveless, strapless or v-neck; tube top, spaghetti strap or tank top shirts worn over a dress; pants worn under a dress

Belts:

- Must be worn with all pants (guys),
- Must be worn with pants with belt loops (girls)
- Solid color
- Plain belt buckles only
- Must fit appropriately; extra length may not dangle from the waist

Shoes/Socks:

Appropriate shoe styles:

- Athletic shoes
- Sandals with ankle straps (girls only)
- Dress shoes or boots with closed-toes and heels
- Socks in solid colors
- Leggings, tights, or pantyhose in solid colors and fabrics are acceptable with dress code attire (girls)

Shoe Don'ts: Flip-flops, sandals without ankle straps (girls), sandals (boys), combat boots, Crocs, Birkenstocks, house slippers, bare feet or shoes with heels higher than 2 inches

Hair/ Headwear:

- No hats in the building
- Hair color must be natural and non-distracting
- Extreme or distracting hairstyles are not allowed
- Hair length for boys must be above the eyebrows, above the lobe of the ear and off the collar in the back

Jewelry:

- Accessories may not be distracting or disruptive
- Tattoos and body piercings (nose, eyebrows, tongue, etc.) are prohibited
- No earrings for boys
- Earrings for girls should be reasonably sized

Outerwear:

- Students may wear their choice of outerwear to school
- NO outerwear may be worn inside the building
- All outerwear must be stored in lockers

Inside Wear for Cooler Temperatures:

- Hoodies and sweatshirts must be spirit wear
- Fleece or sweaters worn inside the building must be either spirit wear, solid color or two-tone (no stripes)
- Emblems, designs, or insignias are permitted but no bigger than a 3x5 card
- Proper dress code must be worn underneath

Friday Spirit Wear:

- Friday spirit wear is a privilege and not a guaranteed right. This privilege will be rewarded based on the students' ability to follow school policy during the week
- Any student who has received a dress code or a behavioral infraction during the week will not be permitted to wear spirit wear on Friday
- Students choosing not to participate in Friday spirit wear are required to follow regular dress code policy

Spirit Wear Shirts:

- FCS spirit wear shirts and sweatshirts must say FCS or Paladins
- Homemade spirit shirts must be approved in advance by an administrator
- No PE shirts

Spirit Wear Pants:

- Blue jeans that fit appropriately and do not contain any holes, rips, designs on legs, colors, patches, frayed hems or slits, no stretch fabric or skinny jeans; colored stitching and designs on back pockets are acceptable
- Athletic shorts/pants, sweat shorts/pants are not acceptable

Spirit Wear Definition:

Spirit wear is defined as anything purchased from the Paladin e-store on the website; official athletic FCS team wear; approved field trip or activity shirt (must have the Paladin logo or FCS crest)