

## Burke Basic School Dress Code

*Please write your child(ren)'s name on clothing and all personal belongings brought to school.*

**SCHOOL UNIFORMS ARE REQUIRED.** School uniforms promote a positive, less distracting learning environment. School uniforms require the student to develop positive social skills rather than dependence on clothing as a statement. The dress code is designed to help encourage a wholesome learning environment, to provide safety, and to prevent any dress styles that would negatively affect students. Clothing should be clean, neat, and in good repair. It must conform to the style of school uniforms. Solid colors only. **The easiest way to make sure your child is in proper school uniform is to purchase them in the school uniform section of most department stores.** Dress code will be checked each day at morning assembly. Students out of dress code will have to call a parent to bring the correct clothing before going to class. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

**Shirts/Tops with collars (polo-type) in red, white, and navy blue are required.**

- ☺ Must have solid colors only.
- ☺ Must be modest, loose fitting, and appropriately cover midriff and chest area.
- ☺ Must not have any language, pictures, or images.
- ☺ Must have sleeves with no gaping armholes.

**Pants/Shorts/Skirts are required to be navy blue, khaki and solid color, Dockers' style only.**

- ☺ Must be navy blue or khaki solid colors only.
- ☺ Must not be baggy, saggy, or severely torn.
- ☺ If pants are loose; a belt must be worn to hold them up.
- ☺ Boxers or underclothing must not show.
- ☺ Shorts are permitted as long as they are approximately mid-thigh length or longer.
- ☺ Cargo pants and shorts are not allowed.
- ☺ Athletic shorts such as basketball style are not allowed.
- ☺ No denim shorts will be permitted. Denim of any color is not permitted.

**Dresses must be navy blue or khaki solid colors only.**

- ☺ Must be modest, have sleeves, cover the chest area appropriately.
- ☺ Must be at least mid-thigh length.
- ☺ Jean shorts and skorts are *not* to be worn.
- ☺ On physical education days, shorts are to be worn under the dress.
- ☺ Leggings/tights must be red, white or navy blue (solid colors only)

**Jumpers** must be navy blue or khaki and must be completely free of any pictures, logos, or images.

**Sweatshirts/Sweaters/Coats**

- ☺ Must be red, white, or navy blue.
- ☺ Must not have any language, pictures, images, or striping on them.
- ☺ Sweaters that are red, white, or navy blue may be worn in the classroom. All other coats must be removed in the classroom.
- ☺ In winter only, polo shirts must be worn underneath the sweatshirts. Please do not send students to school wearing only a sweatshirt.
- ☺ Long-sleeve undershirts may be worn under a polo shirt; however the undershirt must be red, white or navy blue.

- ☺ Coats are encouraged in the winter weather. **Your child's name must be written inside the liner or on the tag of the coat.**
- ☺ Coats are not to be worn in the classroom.



### **Shoes**

- ☺ Tennis shoe, rubber sole, closed toe shoes are required.
- ☺ Sandals, flip-flops or thong type shoes are not permitted.
- ☺ Shoes with wheels in the soles are strictly prohibited from being worn to school.
- ☺ Shoes must have a strap across the back.

### **Hats and Caps**

- ☺ Are not to be worn in the classroom or the building.
- ☺ If hats or caps are worn to school, they are restricted to outside and must be worn with the bill facing forward over the face.
- ☺ No inappropriate symbols or language is permitted on hats and caps.

### **Hair**

- ☺ Should be neatly groomed and clean.
- ☺ Boys' hair should be kept trimmed out of their eyes and off of their collar.
- ☺ Distractive or extreme hair styles and colors (i.e. colored streaks, Mohawks, long spikes, etc.) are not permitted.
- ☺ No designs or words in haircut.

### **Make-up**

- ☺ Conservative make-up may be worn by girls only.
- ☺ Must be applied before coming to school.
- ☺ Make-up applied during school will be confiscated and given only to the parents.
- ☺ Strong smelling cologne is not allowed.

### **Jewelry**

- ☺ Since jewelry is distracting in the classroom, and poses a hazard on the playground, the school discourages the wearing of jewelry. Jewelry often gets stolen or damaged.
- ☺ Girls may wear 1 pair of small earrings in the earlobes (one in each earlobe).
- ☺ Boys may not wear any pierced jewelry.
- ☺ Chains are not permitted.
- ☺ Medical alert bracelets *are* permitted.
- ☺ Burke is not responsible for any lost, damaged, or stolen jewelry.

### **Tattoos**

- ☺ That are visible are not permitted.
- ☺ Writing on skin is not permitted.

It is the principal's responsibility to make final decisions regarding dress code issues. Parents agree to encourage their children to adhere to the school's dress code. We are not responsible for lost, damaged or stolen property.

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