

School Uniform Dress Code Pilot - 2009-2010

Bancroft * Elbert-Palmer * Pulaski * Stubbs

Facts for Parents about School Uniforms

- Four Christina School District elementary schools will have school uniforms in 2009-2010: Bancroft, Elbert-Palmer, Pulaski, and Stubbs
- In many public school districts where uniform dress codes have been established, school officials have found that school uniforms
 - enhanced school safety
 - improved the learning environment
 - bridged socioeconomic differences between children
 - promoted good behavior
 - improved children's self-respect and self-esteem
 - produced cost savings for participating families



- The decision to implement a uniform code is about equity and high standards of achievement
- In order for our students to reach the high standards we have set for them, we must create environments where they receive challenging instruction, and are held accountable for their dress, behavior, and personal success
- The following clothing guidelines have been decided for elementary students at Bancroft, Elbert-Palmer, Pulaski, and Stubbs Elementary Schools:
 - **Shirts:** Students will wear a white or navy blue shirt or blouse with a collar.
 - Polo-style shirts, button-down shirts, and turtleneck shirts are permitted
 - Sleeveless shirts or T-shirts are NOT permitted
 - **Pants:** Students will wear navy blue pants, shorts, skirts, or jumpers.
 - Denim jeans and sweat pants* are NOT permitted
 - Shorts, skirts, scooters, and jumpers may not be shorter than 4 inches above the knee
 - A solid color belt must be worn if pants or shorts have belt loops
 - Clothing must be worn at the natural waist
 - **Sweaters:** Students may wear navy blue sweaters or sweatshirts
 - All long-sleeve solid navy blue crewneck, V-neck, or cardigan sweaters, fleece, or sweatshirts must be worn with a white or navy blue collared shirt, turtleneck, or blouse. NO Hooded apparel
 - Outer garments (coats and jackets) must be stored in the student's classroom or locker and may not be carried in school
 - **Footwear:** Shoes (including sneakers) must be navy blue, black, or brown in color; no open heel or toes permitted.
 - Shoes must be securely fastened. Clogs, flip-flops, and bedroom slippers are NOT permitted
 - **Sizing:** Clothing must be sized to fit the student. Pants should fit appropriately and should not be too tight or too loose. Shirts should be appropriate size and should not extend below the hip.
 - **Head wear:** Students may not wear hats, hoods, sweatbands, bandannas, or sunglasses while in the school building

* It may be acceptable for some students with special needs or extenuating circumstances to wear navy blue sweat pants.