



Dress Code

K-6

2020-2021

STUDENT APPEARANCE

Students are expected to present a clean, neat and well-groomed appearance at school. It is the responsibility of parents and guardians to ensure their child is properly attired for school. The administration reserves the right to make the final decision concerning the appropriateness of clothing and overall appearance at school.

DRESS CODE (K-6)

Recognizing first impressions are important and people are generally more at ease and function better when dressed appropriately, the following guidelines for dress have been established. The emphasis is upon cleanliness and neatness. Students could be restricted from attending classes if their attire or appearance is deemed inappropriate by the administrator. In such cases, parents may be contacted to address the issues related to attire or appearance. If the parent/guardian cannot be reached, the student could be removed from regular classes and be assigned to an alternative location until such time as the issue is resolved. The student may be placed on the appropriate step of the discipline ladder.

The school's administration reserves the right to make any decision necessary for the best interest of the students and which will protect the image of the school and community. Exceptions to the dress code may be made for school sponsored days such as Read Across America, Hat Day, Red Ribbon Week and other days as designated by the administration. Students will be allowed to wear school spirit shirts on Fridays of each week.

This dress code outlines the only acceptable form of attire approved to be worn by students in this district. Every component of the student attire should be appropriate in length and/or size. Appropriate is defined as that which properly covers the body and which is in good taste.

BUTTON-UP COLLARED SHIRTS

- Solid color: Red (Petal Red), white, black, navy or gray (no plaids)
- No visible emblems, trademarks, or logos (except Petal School Name, Petal School District approved Panther and/or Petal School extracurricular groups)
- Shirts worn untucked must not extend further than the wrist.
- Shirts must touch the waist of pants/skirt at all times (i.e. when in movement, when arms are extended or raised, and when in seated position, etc.)
- The underlayer must not exceed the length of the outer layer.

KNIT POLO COLLARED SHIRTS

- Solid color: Red (Petal Red), white, black, navy or gray
- Must be buttoned high enough so that no cleavage can be seen.
- No visible emblems, trademarks or logos (except Petal School Name, Petal School District approved Panther, and/or Petal School extracurricular groups)
- Shirts worn untucked must not extend further than the wrist.
- Shirts must touch the waist of pants/skirt at all times (i.e. when in movement, when arms are extended or raised, and when in seated position, etc.)
- The underlayer must not exceed the length of the outer layer.

PULLOVER SWEATSHIRTS/HOODIES

- Solid colors: Red (Petal Red), white, black, navy or gray
- All visible emblems, trademarks, and/or logos must be white, black, red (Petal red), navy, or gray
- Even if a pullover hoodie is worn as a jacket, it must meet these requirements.
- The underlayer must not exceed the length of the outer layer.

VEST OR SWEATERS

- Solid colors: Red (Petal Red), white, black, navy or gray
- The underlayer must not exceed the length of the outer layer.

PANTS

- Solid colors: Khaki (tan), navy, gray
- No athletic/jogging/sweatpants
- Must be worn securely around waist with belt through all loops (Belts optional for K-4)

WALKING SHORTS/BERMUDA STYLE

- Solid Color: Khaki (tan), navy, gray
- No stretch fabric
- No athletic shorts
- Length—Not to exceed three inches above the knee

SKIRTS/SKORTS

- Solid color: Khaki (tan), navy, gray
- Styles: Box pleat, regular, straight, A-line
- No wrap skirts or slits
- Length – Not to exceed three inches above the knee

JUMPERS/DRESSES

- Solid Colors: khaki (tan), navy, gray
- Students must wear an undershirt if the jumper does not have sleeves
- Length— Not to exceed three inches above the knee

BELTS

- Brown or black
- If belt loops exist, belt is mandatory (Belts are optional for K-4)
- No visible emblems, trademarks, or logos (except Petal School Name, Petal School District approved Panther and/or Petal School extracurricular groups)
- No rhinestones or studs

LEGGINGS

- If leggings or tights are worn they will be limited to solid colors: Red (Petal Red), white, black, navy or gray
- Leggings are not to be worn as pants (only under jumpers, dresses, skirts or skorts).

ALL SHOES

- All lace-up shoes must be laced and tied
- No flip flops - (rubber or beach type)
- No house shoes
- No lights, wheels, sounds, or other interactive features

HAIR/HAIR ACCESSORIES

- Ribbons, barrettes, headbands, ponytail holders, clippies, and scarves are acceptable
- No bandanas, hats, caps, do-rags, or skull caps
- No disruptive or distracting hair styles or colors

JEWELRY

- Jewelry should not pose a safety hazard (i.e. no spiked jewelry, oversized chain, etc.)
- Authorized jewelry items may not be replicas of weapons/contraband or contain inappropriate language
- Pierced jewelry is limited to the ears

COATS

- No trench coat style
- All zip-front sweatshirt/hoodies are considered jackets.
- Button up shirts are not considered jackets

*Untucked shirts will be permitted as long as the privilege is not abused.