



School Uniform & Dress Code Policy

1: Rationale

All students who attend Cloverdale Traditional School are required to wear the prescribed uniform. The school uniform is **mandatory** for all students, and was created through the Uniform Committee consisting of parents and school staff. Under School District 61 Student Dress Code Policy 5132 S. 3.2 "Cloverdale Traditional Elementary School may have a standard school uniform" (approved at The Board of Education of School District No. 61 Regular Board Meeting on April 23, 2018).

The students are ambassadors for Cloverdale Traditional School in the community; well-groomed students who wear well maintained uniforms create a positive image. It is believed that the responsibility for maintaining the school uniform and dress code rests with the parents and students together. **It is the expectation that students look presentable at all times.** When making decisions about appropriateness of uniform items and personal accessories, parents are asked to ensure that **no items, hairstyles or accessories detract from the general appearance of the uniform.**

It is the belief that uniform dress codes foster the following:

- a sense of belonging and pride;
- a safer and more respectful learning and teaching environment;
- a confident and positive sense of self,
- a respect for the dignity and welfare of others.

2: Requirements

An official supplier has been selected for all crested uniform items. Crested items must be purchased through the approved supplier.

Parent(s)/guardian(s) may purchase all non-crested uniform items through alternate suppliers; **however, not all retailers produce garments that follow the School Uniform and Dress Code Policy requirements. It is the responsibility of the parent(s)/guardian(s) to ensure compliance with the policy.**

Crested Items: Crested items include at least one of the following: fleece vest or fleece jacket (navy), V-neck long sleeve pullover sweater (navy), sweater vest (navy), cardigan sweater (navy). **It is mandatory for each student to have at least one Cloverdale Traditional School crested item, and must be at school every day.**

Tops: White tops must be worn under all navy items. White, collared and turtleneck shirts are permitted. **White collars and turtlenecks must be visible.**



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Bottoms: All bottoms must be navy. This includes dress pants, dress shorts, rugby pants, skirts, skorts, and tunics.

Shoes: All black shoes are required for indoor wear. If only one pair can be purchased, it is recommended to be black runners, so they may be worn as gym shoes as well. Soles must be non-marking. Patent shoes are permitted.

Socks: Navy or black crew socks are to be worn with pants or shorts. White or navy knee high socks or tights are to be worn with skirts, skorts, and tunics

Hair: Haircuts should be conservative (e.g. no Mohawks, faux-hawks or any extreme cuts/spikes). Hair must not be dyed in unusual colors. Simple, solid colored hair accessories are acceptable, in navy, black, white, clear or hair color.

Jewelry: Rings, bracelets and necklaces are not permitted. Earrings must be simple (e.g. stud or sleeper style), solid colored in navy, black, white or skin color. Watches are permitted.

Skin: Rub-on tattoos or other body art on visible skin are not permitted.

Nails: Nail polish is not permitted.

Additional Guidelines:

- Absolutely **NO** logos, embroidery, pictures or print of any kind, this includes undershirts and on jewellery.
- Capri, cargo, yoga and sweat pants **are not permitted.**
- Leggings and other footless tights **are not permitted.**
- Hooded tops and cropped sweaters **are not permitted.**
- Bike shorts are recommended underneath skirts and dresses. They may not exceed length of garment, and must be navy or black.
- Dress shirts must be tucked in.
- Buttons, zippers and buckles must not detract from the general appearance of the uniform.
- No open toed or heeled shoes or sandals.
- All uniform items need to be kept in good condition (e.g. clean, non-faded, good repair, correct size).
- Outdoor wear and gym shoes are exempt from the standard requirements.
- The Cloverdale Traditional School, School Uniform and Dress Code Policy respects head coverings or an accessory worn for religious purposes. Contact the school Principal for further details.
- The Cloverdale Traditional School, School Uniform and Dress Code Policy also respects traditional wear for cultural celebrations. Contact the school Principal for further details.



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3: Infractions

In the case that a student is not in compliance with the dress code, they will be issued an infraction notice. This infraction notice is to be signed by the parent(s)/guardian(s) and returned to the teacher. After three uniform infraction notices, the student will be referred to the school Administration for further follow up.

More serious infractions will automatically involve the school Administration.

In situations not covered by the School Uniform and Dress Code Policy, the school Administration will determine outcome of the infraction. The final decision on appropriateness of hairstyle, clothing or related items will be at the discretion of the school Administration.

It is expected that the problem(s) addressed in the infraction notice will be corrected in a timely manner. The school Administration may be contacted for assistance, financial or otherwise. Confidentiality will be maintained.

5: Civvies Day

On occasion, all students will be allowed to wear non-uniform clothing to school. On these days, students may wear civvies. These are often based on a theme and information will be sent home well in advance. **Students must be dressed as per the specific civvies day clothing, or be in full uniform.**

Civvies days are for:

- Halloween (orange and black)
- Valentine's Day (pink, red and white)
- Pink Shirt Anti-Bullying Day (pink shirt top **only**; uniform bottoms)
- Beach Day
- Fun Day
- and one school themed day as selected by student leadership (e.g. Pajama Day)

On Fridays, during the months of May and June, Grade 5 students may be permitted to wear Grade 5 T-Shirts (commonly purchased by the PAC). Contact the school Principal for further details.



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QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE
TOPS
Golf/Polo Shirt – white, collared, long or short sleeve.
Dress Shirt/Blouse – white, plain, collared, long or short sleeve.
Turtleneck – white, plain, long sleeve.
Fleece Vest or Jacket – navy, zipper front. <i>May be crested with the school emblem; special order item.</i>
Cardigan – navy, knit sweater, button or zipper front. Cotton, Polyester, Cotton/Poly blend, Acrylic. <i>May be crested with the school emblem; special order item.</i>
Crew or V-neck sweater – navy, long sleeve. Cotton, Polyester, Cotton/Poly blend, Acrylic. <i>May be crested with the school emblem; special order item.</i>
V-neck sweater vest – navy. Cotton, Polyester, Cotton/Poly blend, Acrylic. <i>May be crested with the school emblem; special order item.</i>
BOTTOMS
Dress Pants – navy, fly front. Full length. Cotton, Polyester, Cotton/Poly blend.
Dress Shorts – navy, fly front. Knee to mid-thigh in length. Cotton, Polyester, Cotton/Poly blend.
Rugby Pants – navy, elastic waist. Full length. Cotton, Polyester, Cotton/Poly blend.
Skirt – navy, A-line, pleated, knee to mid-thigh in length. Cotton, Polyester, Cotton/Poly blend.
Skort – navy, A-line, knee to mid-thigh in length. Cotton, Polyester, Cotton/Poly blend.
Tunic – navy, A-line, plain, pleated, knee to mid-thigh in length. Cotton, Polyester, Cotton/Poly blend.
Socks – navy or black dress socks or crew socks (with pants or shorts). Navy or white knee high socks or tights (with skirts, skorts, or tunics)
Shoes – solid black, non-marking sole, black laces. Dress or running shoes.