

DRESS CODE

Dress Code Philosophy

The staff and administration at Franklin School believe that dress has the power to reflect the person. We contend that we, as people, often act as we dress. We want students to dress for success to every possible extent. It is realized that styles of dress change according to cultural expectations. While there may be nothing inherently wrong with a particular style of dress, teaching a child to conform to restrictions is a good preparation for the work environment in future years. The code is more lenient for children in grades K-3. Discretion will be up to administration.

Dress style principles were adopted so as to contribute in a positive way to instruction and learning. Your clothing should:

- Promote personal safety and personal hygiene
- Encourage positive behavior and respect for self and others
- Promote positive peer images
- Respect family and community standards and yet provide an outlet for individual expression

Clothing, which incorporates logos, graphic designs, picture or text, must be appropriate for school. Contents which advertise or display subject matter relating to alcohol, drugs, tobacco use, inappropriate language and/or art work, racial slogans, sexually explicit slogans or pictures are prohibited. Clothing which is deemed by school administration to be distracting to the educational process will be prohibited. This applies to backpacks and notebooks as well. **If you are unsure whether or not a logo would be offensive or distracting to other people, encourage your child to reserve the item for another situation. It may be advisable to purchase clothing without logos, graphics, or sayings for school use.** ALL STUDENTS JACKETS AND COATS MUST HAVE THEIR NAMES INSIDE IN PERMANENT MARKER.

Clothing cannot be modified by drawing, writing, cutting, or painting. If it is, the student will be given duct tape on the first offense and may be sent home on the second offense.

Shoes must be worn at all times. Slippers and flip flops are not allowed at school or on school functions. Remember, sometimes footwear can pose a safety issue.

Hats and visors are not permitted to be worn on campus inside the school building. Hats and visors worn to and from home must be removed during school hours except for outside activities. Please remember that the purpose of a hat is to provide shade and protection from the sun. For this reason, baseball caps should not be worn with the bill facing backwards. Bandannas, doo-rags, and hairnets are not permitted. Stocking caps and beanies are only allowed after fall break until spring break and are also not allowed to be worn in the classroom.

All shirts, blouses and dresses must have sleeves or straps that are at least 2 inches wide and cover undergarments. This means that halter-tops, tube tops, undershirts and spaghetti straps are not allowed. Boys shirts must not hang more than 1-2 inches below the armpits or be otherwise revealing. See through or sheer blouses are not permitted. Undergarments must not be seen at any time. Low-cut, backless, bare midriff and tight-fitting tops are not permitted. All tops must be of such length that when arms are raised above the head, the stomach and/or navel are not revealed. Tights can only be worn with a dress or pants that follow the dress code. Layering of clothing to ensure modesty is encouraged but layers should not be removed. However, at least one of the layers must follow the 2-inch rule.

Jeans and pants must fit the natural waist. Pants and jeans can have holes as long as the holes are below mid thigh. Pajama pants are not allowed during regular school days. Leggings must not be see through. Again, under-garments must not be seen at any time. Low riding or "sagging pants" are not allowed. Long belts and long chains are not permitted.

Shorts must fit at the natural waist. Shorts may not have holes, ragged edges, or loose hems. Spandex or tight-fitting shorts are not permitted. Shorts must not be so short or so baggy as to reveal body parts or undergarments. Shorts must go to mid-thigh and not ride up when sitting to reveal undergarments or any private body parts. Shorts may be worn under skirts to promote modesty. Skirts and dresses must be no more than 3 inches above the knee.

Due to safety issues involving potential concealment of weapons and/or drugs, students are expected to wear conventional fitting shorts and pants. Baggy clothing is prohibited in order to insure the safety of others. Those students dressed marginally will be sent home to change or will be required to tuck in their shirts, etc.

Hairstyles and makeup should be neat and natural. Extreme fads, such as high Mohawks, extreme spikes, etc., that call attention to the person and distract from the learning environment, are not permitted. Hair accessories and clothing items must not be distracting to the learning environment.

Alumni, staff children, siblings of students, etc. who are on campus longer than 15 minutes, must be dress code appropriate or they must wait in the office.

Body piercing and face piercing are not permitted. Piercing calls attention to itself and distracts from the learning environment. Piercing also carries with it risks of infection. Earrings are allowed but excessively dangling earrings are not recommended due to safety, especially during P.E. activities. Students should refrain from wearing wallet chains or dog collars to school for safety reasons. Sometimes students have been injured. Some dress code prohibitions have been designed to eliminate connotations of gang membership. If a child's style of dress becomes offensive to others, parents should actively encourage changes.

Tattoos for students and employees are not permitted. Existing tattoos must be covered by clothing or by a dressing such as a Band-Aid or makeup.

Specific exceptions to the handbook may be allowed during spirit week. These exceptions will be stated before spirit week.

DRESS CODE EXCEPTION FOR SPORTS

Spandex/compression shorts of mid-thigh length, athletic leggings, and yoga pants can be worn during extracurricular sports time/practice ONLY. These items cannot be worn during the school day.

Dress Code Violations

Violation of the dress code will result in staff intervention and wearing of school provided items such as sweat pants or T-shirts. Consequences will range from parent contact to out of school suspension. This dress code applies to the campus of Franklin School as well as functions and activities sponsored by Franklin School. It also applies when our students are at locations away from school in a capacity of representing Franklin School at an event or function. Students who do not follow the dress code may be given sweat pants and T-shirts to wear, may be given detention, or may be sent home to change clothes. Final dress code decisions will be at the discretion of the administration.

Please refrain from sending extra items to school with your child that is not specifically requested by your child's teacher. Sadly, despite best intentions, property at school can occasionally be lost or misused. Cluttering a desk or backpack with extra materials can contribute to this problem. Please feel free to set up a workstation in your home where your child can use these extra learning supplies.

KINDERGARTEN

- Small Pencil Box **with child's name on it** to hold crayons, pencils and erasers. Make sure the box will fit in a small desk
- 1 dozen pencils to share with the class. Ticonderoga, Dixon or Oriole, These are real wood pencils. They sharpen well and do not break easily.
- 1 pair of blunt end child's scissors to keep in the classroom **with child's name on it**
- 4 boxes of 16 count Crayola crayons on the standard colors for your child to keep inside his/her pencil box (1 box to share with the class). **Please write child's name on 3 of the boxes**
- 2 large erasers to keep inside pencil box
- 6 glue sticks
- 1 package of disinfectant wipes
- 2 pocket folders (plastic or polyvinyl) and a backpack to transport homework to and from school **with child's name on them**
- 2 boxes of tissue to share with the class
- 2 boxes of baby wipes for glue mess clean-up
- 2 black dry erase markers
- 1 bottle hand sanitizer 8 oz or

Please write names on pencil boxes, scissors, 16 count crayon boxes, folders and erasers.

FIRST

- Backpack - with child's name on it
- 1 small plastic pencil Box with child's name on it to hold crayons, pencils and scissors.
Make sure the box will fit in a small desk
- 1 dozen Ticonderoga pencils to share with the class
- 1 pair of blunt end child's scissors to keep in the pencil box
- 2 erasers to keep in the pencil box
- 4 boxes of 16-24 crayons
- 2 packages of anti-bacterial wipes
- 2 boxes of tissue
- 1 plain wooden ruler with inches and centimeters
- 3 plastic or vinyl pocket folders for homework
- 1 wide ruled composition notebook
- 1 bottle of hand sanitizer
- 4 glue sticks
- 4 dry erase markers

SECOND

Please write names on folders, crayons, ruler, backpack and scissors

- Small PLASTIC pencil box with child's name on it to hold crayons, pencils, and scissors. Make sure the box will fit in a small desk.
- 1 pair of blunt end child's scissors to keep in the pencil box
- 4 boxes of 8 or 16 count Crayola crayons set in standard colors
 - o (Labeled with child's name)
- 5 plastic or vinyl pocket folders (Please NO paper folders)
- Backpack to transport homework
- 1 ruler with inches and centimeters (NOT flexible)
- 1 package $\frac{3}{4}$ " metal brass fasteners (brads) to be turned into the teacher)
- 1 dozen TICONDEROGA brand pencils (to be turned into the teacher)
 - o These are real wood pencils. They sharpen well and do not break easily.
- 2 black EXPO Chisel Tip dry erase markers (to be turned into the teacher)
- 3 boxes of baby wipes for glue messes (to be turned into the teacher)

- 3 containers of disinfecting wipes (to be turned into the teacher)
- 4 boxes of tissues to share with the class (to be turned into the teacher)

THIRD

- 4 Dozen Ticonderoga #2 Pencils
- 1 Pair of Scissors
- 2 24 pack of Crayola Crayons
- 2 Red Pens
- 6 Glue Sticks (to be turned in)
- 3 Folders with Pockets (Plastic or Vinyl Last Longer)
- 4 Dry Erase Markers
- 1 1-inch Binder
- 1 Package of Tabs (5) for Binder
- 1 Spiral Notebook—Wide Ruled with 100 Pages
- 2 Yellow Highlighters
- 1 Small Pencil Box
- 1 Backpack
- 3 Boxes of Kleenex
- 2 Boxes of Soft Wipes (for hand and glue messes)
- 2 Packages of Disinfectant Wipes
- 1 Reusable Water Bottle (to stay at school)

FOURTH

- 1 small pencil box or zipper pouch
- 4 dozen # 2 Ticonderoga pencils (Please NO Dixon or cheap pencils they ruin the pencil sharpeners.)
- 1 pair of scissors
- 1 large eraser
- 1 box of crayons or color pencils (No markers)
- 1 clear plastic ruler or wooden ruler (No bendable rulers)
- 2 packages of WIDE RULED notebook paper to share
- 1 package of 2 or more EXPO black dry erase markers to share
- 2 YELLOW highlighters
- 3 heavy-paper pocket folders for homework
- 4 pocket folders with prongs for reports
- 1 spiral notebook (70-100 pages) for journal
- 1 package of antibacterial wipes
- 1 baby wipes
- 2 boxes of tissues

PLEASE NO BINDERS FOR FOURTH GRADE!!

FIFTH

- 2-3 Doz. #2 Ticonderoga pencils to share with class
- Mechanical pencils with led – OPTIONAL/FOR STUDENT
- 1 plastic, heavy duty pocket folder for homework
- 5 pocket folders for student's desk
- 1 composition book
- 4 spiral notebooks – 100 sheets/1 subject
- 2-3 packages of WIDE RULE notebook paper –turned in/shared with the class
- 2-3 highlighters to share with the class
- 6-8 BLACK dry erase markers – **LOW ODOR PLEASE**– to be turned in and shared with the class
- 4-6 rolls of tape turned in/shared with class
- Colored pencils (12-24 count) (Crayons optional in addition to pencils)
- 1-2 large erasers

- 1 pair scissors
- 1-2 glue sticks
- Small box or zipper pouch for pencils, etc.
- 4-5 large boxes of tissue
- 2-3 disinfectant/antibacterial wipes packages
- 2-3 packages hand wipes—(NOT baby wipes please)

6TH, 7TH AND 8TH

ABSOLUTELY NO MARKERS OF ANY KIND. Any markers brought to school must be turned in to the teachers and will be confiscated.

NO BINDERS EXCEPT SOCIAL STUDIES

Items to be turned in:

- 4 packages of loose leaf college ruled notebook paper
- 4 dozen #2 pencils, Ticonderoga brand
- 2 highlighters
- 6 boxes of tissues
- 2 roll of paper towels
- 3 containers of Clorox wipes (or similar)
- 4 dry erase markers
- 3-4 rolls of tape
- Scissors
- 1 box of colored pencils (12-24 count)
- 4-6 glue sticks

Items to be kept in student's backpack:

- 1 zipper pencil holder
- 10 pencils for personal use by student
- 2 highlighters
- 2 2-pocket folder
- 3 9 X 11 college ruled 100 sheet subject spiral notebook. **Please check, this cannot** be the smaller page sizes and must be college ruled. (preferably Mead or 5-Star w/pocket) (English, Math, Science)
- 1 ½ in binder for Social Studies
- 2 large erasers
- Spanish
 - 6th grade - 1 9 X 11 college ruled **70** sheet subject spiral notebook.
 - 7th/8th grade - For those students in Industrial Arts. You may want to wait to get this until meet the teacher night where students will get their schedules.

Items needed for student use at home:

- 1 package of graph paper
- 3 packages of loose leaf college ruled notebook paper
- 1 protractor for math all grades
- 1 ruler with both cm and inches (preferably see through)
- Dictionary and Thesaurus

Art Room Requests:

- Crayola watercolors, 8 count
- Elmer's glue
- Glue sticks