



Student Dress Code Policy

Located in the Student Handbook (pages 18-21)

As a college preparatory school, our students are expected to be dressed each day in accordance with our established dress code policies. The dress code was established in order to contribute to a positive learning environment.

The school administration reserves the right to determine the acceptability of a student's dress or appearance and the decision shall be undisputed. Correction may require exclusion from classroom activities and participation until the infraction is corrected, the students being sent home for the day, or other disciplinary action.

All students in K-12 are required to wear the standard uniform, as established by the school board. Uniforms should only be purchased through Educational Apparel, located in Hilliard, Ohio. Look-alike clothing is not authorized. All uniform items should be in good repair and of appropriate size.

Modesty, cleanliness, neatness and Christian testimony should guide dress for all occasions.

Males (Kindergarten – Grade 12)

The approved Harvest Preparatory School uniform code for males:

- **Polo Shirts** – maroon, black, gray or white polo with the embroidered school emblem
 - Should be tucked into uniform pants at all times.
- **Pants/Shorts** – khaki or black non-cargo style pants/shorts
- **Blazer** – maroon with school embroidered emblem
 - Required attire for Middle School & Upper School students only; worn every Monday beginning after the Labor Day Holiday.
 - Must be sized and purchased exclusively through Educational Apparel.
 - A white dress-shirt and a black tie should be worn with the blazer.
 - Standard uniform pants and approved uniform shoes (or dress shoes) should be worn.
- **Belts** – solid black or brown leather only
- **Shoes** – non-marking tennis shoes laced appropriately; any colors are approved.
 - Sandals, flip-flops, Crocs, and/or open-toe shoes are not permitted to be worn with the school uniform.
 - Socks must be worn - solid matching colors that coordinate with the uniform.
- **T-Shirts** – only **white**, crew-neck, undershirts are permitted under the uniform polo shirt. No other colors are permitted.
- **Hair** - should not extend below the collar of the uniform polo shirt or below the eyebrow, with the entire ear showing. (Hair should be cut to this length – not accomplished by pulling hair behind the ear.)
 - Hair should be neat, clean, and well-groomed.
 - Designs are not permitted (ie. numeral designs, striping, etc.)
 - Hats of any kind, bandanas, “do-rags”, and combs should not be worn on or in the hair.
 - Braids are acceptable, but should be rowed neatly to the neck, without ornamentation – subject to administrative approval.

- Hair coloring shall not be dramatically different from that occurring in nature. (ie. colors such as pink, green, purple, etc. are not approved.)
- Afros must be combed out and neatly styled; should not extend more than two inches in length.
- Facial hair must be closely trimmed, well-groomed, and not to exceed 1/8 inch in depth.
- **Outerwear** – maroon cardigan sweater, gray or black fleece jacket, maroon blazer with the embroidered school emblem, the gray quarter-zip pull-over with the school emblem, and the “Prep” crew-neck sweatshirt are all approved to be worn during the school day.
 - Students must wear a polo shirt under all outwear items, with the exception of the uniform blazer.
 - Students are not permitted to wear coats, jackets, sweaters that are not uniform-approved during the school day. Outerwear items should not be wrapped around the neck or waist and should not be hand carried or transported during the school day. Non-approved items should be stored in a locker or a book-bag.
- **Jewelry** – males are only permitted to wear one earring at any given time
 - No facial piercings are permitted.

Females (Kindergarten – Grade 12)

The approved Harvest Preparatory School uniform code for females:

- **Polo Shirts** – maroon, black, gray or white polo with the embroidered school emblem
- **Pants/Shorts** – khaki or black non-cargo style pants/shorts (should fit appropriately).
- **Skirts** – khaki or maroon plaid skirt (no shorter than 2” above the knee). Leggings are only approved to be worn underneath the uniform skirt and should be in solid matching colors that coordinate with the uniform. Leggings should never be worn independently of the uniform skirt.
- **Blazer** – maroon with school embroidered emblem
 - Required for Middle School & Upper School students only; worn every Monday beginning after the Labor Day Holiday.
 - Must be sized and purchased exclusively through Educational Apparel.
 - A white dress-shirt and a black tie should be worn with the blazer.
 - Standard uniform pants/skirts and approved uniform shoes (or dress shoes) should be worn.
- **Belts** – optional - solid black or brown leather only
- **Shoes** – non-marking tennis shoes laced appropriately; any colors are approved.
 - Sandals, flip-flops, and/or open-toe shoes are not permitted to be worn with the school uniform.
 - Socks must be worn in solid matching colors that coordinate with the uniform.
- **T-Shirts** – only white, crew-neck undershirts are permitted under the uniform polo shirt. No other colors are permitted.
- **Undergarments** – appropriate undergarments must be worn.
- **Hair** - Hair shall be feminine, modest, neat, clean, and well groomed.
 - Hair should not obstruct the student’s vision.
 - Hair ornaments should be conservative in size and be in uniform colors only.
 - Hats of any kind, bandanas, “do-rags”, and combs should not be worn on or in the hair.
 - Hair coloring shall not be dramatically different from that occurring in nature (ie. colors such as pink, green, purple, etc. are not approved.)
 - Shaved heads or partly shaved heads are not acceptable.
 - Afros must be combed out and neatly styled; should not extend more than two inches in length.
- **Outerwear** – maroon cardigan sweater, gray or black fleece jacket, maroon blazer with the embroidered school emblem, the gray quarter-zip pull-over with the school emblem, and the “Prep” crew-neck sweatshirt are all approved to be worn during the school day.
 - Students must wear a polo shirt under all outwear items, with the exception of the uniform blazer.

- Students are not permitted to wear coats, jackets, sweaters that are not uniform-approved during the school day. Outwear items should not be wrapped around the neck or waist and should not be hand carried or transported during the school day. Non-approved items should be stored in a locker or a book-bag.
- **Jewelry** – females are only permitted to wear up to three earrings in each ear at one time.
 - No facial piercings are permitted.

Physical Education

Upper School – Students are required to dress in the official gym uniform each day of class. The uniform consists of the official physical education t-shirt (purchased at Educational Apparel) and a pair of black appropriately-fitting athletic shorts or pants. Students should also wear non-marking sole tennis shoes with their gym uniform.

Middle School – Students are required to dress in the official gym uniform each day of class. The uniform consists of the official physical education t-shirt (purchased at Educational Apparel) and a pair of black appropriately-fitting athletic shorts or pants. Students should also wear non-marking sole tennis shoes with their gym uniform.

Lower School – Students are not required to dress in athletic attire. Females should wear gym shorts under uniform skirts on physical education days. Students should wear non-marking sole athletic shoes on gym days.

Preschool Dress Guidelines

Students enrolled in the preschool program are not required to wear the official Harvest Preparatory School uniform. Parents/guardians should follow the general guidelines of dress and appearance as outlined above.

Dress Up Days

Students are required to dress in business attire at various times throughout the year for special events and assemblies. It is expected that students will follow the general dress code guidelines and in accordance with the attire below:

Males – Properly fitted dress pants, button-up dress shirt, jacket/blazer/sweater, neck/bow tie, dress shoes with dress socks.

Females – Properly fitting dresses, skirts and blouses with jacket, sweater, or suit should be worn. The approved skirt length is no shorter than 2” above the knee. Dresses, skirts, and pants should not conform to the shape of the body or present a provocative appearance. The judgment of the school administration on student participation or recognition due to questionable attire shall be undisputed.

Casual attire, to include jeans, sweatshirts, tennis shoes and/or athletic wear is not appropriate for official assemblies or special events for males or females.

Field Trip Dress

Students are expected to dress in the standard school uniform for all school-sanctioned field trips, unless deemed otherwise by the school administration. Students who fail to comply with the field trip dress code policy forfeit the opportunity to participate.

Spirit Weeks

There are specified themed days during the school year in which students can dress in casual attire in accordance with the announced theme(s). Students not wishing to participate are required to be dressed in the standard school uniform.

Warrior Wear Days

School spirit wear days are assigned periodically throughout the school year. Students are permitted to dress casual on the assigned days as long as the attire is classified as "Warrior Wear," which constitutes a t-shirt, sweatshirt, jacket, and/or team wear in representation of Harvest Preparatory School. The standard uniform khaki pants or jeans (blue or black only) with no holes/rips/tears and worn appropriately at the hips are the only approved pant option on Warrior Wear Days. Students should refrain from wearing outerwear items on Warrior Wear Days that are not expressed affiliated with Harvest Preparatory School. Students also should comply with the standard shoe policy as outlined above on Warrior Wear Days.

Apparel Disclaimer

Students should refrain from wearing clothing items that contain inappropriate or non-Christian statements, slogans, wording, emblems, images, etc. Students should also refrain from wearing clothing items that can become controversial or become a distraction to the learning environment, such as clothing items promoting political campaigns. Students found in violation will be asked to cover the clothing item or asked to change into different clothing. Refusal to comply with the request of the administration will result in disciplinary action.