



BCS DRESS GUIDELINES

{2021-2022 School Year}

At all times on campus or during school-sponsored activities, Bethesda students' clothing should fit properly, and their overall appearance should be neat, modest, and non-offensive. Students should conform to the following dress code during school hours:

SHIRTS that are acceptable include button-down shirts, polo shirts, hoodies, quarter-zips, Henleys, turtlenecks, modest V-necks, sweaters, etc. Shirts with crew necks are **not** allowed (i.e., no T-shirts, sweatshirts, or jerseys). No crop tops, halter tops, low-cut or sheer or sleeveless shirts are permitted. Shirts may display patterns but should not depict any pictures, words, or messages other than a discreet logo. The one exception to the "no crew neck" rule is that official Bethesda spirit wear may be worn on any school day, even if it has a crew neck.

PANTS that are acceptable include both long pants and short pants. Pants should fit properly (not too saggy or too tight) and should be in good condition (not torn or frayed). Shorts should have hemlines no higher than two inches above the knee. Sweatpants/athletic pants (whether short or long) are **not** allowed.

SKIRTS/DRESSES: Female students may wear skirts or dresses, provided that hemlines are no higher than two inches above the knee, and they must comply with the rest of the dress code (not too short, too tight, low-cut, etc.). Leggings are only permitted when worn under appropriate skirts/dresses.

OUTERWEAR such as jackets/coats may be worn, provided that a dress-code appropriate shirt is worn underneath – and provided that they do not have pictures, words, or messages other than a discreet logo.

SHOES must be worn on campus. Elementary students should not wear sandals without heel straps. Clean athletic shoes must be worn for PE.

SOCKS should be worn by elementary students in order to play in the indoor sports areas on days when it is too cold or wet to play outside. Students should keep an extra pair of socks in their locker for this purpose.

HATS & HOODS may be worn outside the school building (provided they do not have inappropriate logos, etc.), but they may not be worn inside.

JEWELRY should not be extreme.

UNDERGARMENTS should not be visible.

HAIRSTYLES must be of a natural color and not extreme. Any facial hair should be kept neatly trimmed.