

Other Information:

- ◆ Students are expected to be dressed according to the uniform standards at all times when school is in session.
- ◆ New students to the school will be given a two-week grace period from enrollment to obtain and wear the proper school uniform.
- ◆ Exceptions to the uniform policy for special events will be at the discretion of the administration. Each Friday will be "spirit day." Students will be allowed to wear jeans that follow the district dress code along with a school approved spirit wear top or uniforms.
- ◆ Eligible athletes may wear school athletic clothing on game days if it meets the dress code guidelines or if it is worn with additional appropriate uniform wear.
- ◆ Clothing items included in the Uniform Dress Policy can be purchased at any retailer.
- ◆ Reasonable consideration shall be made for those students who, because of a sincerely held religious belief or medical reason, request a waiver of a particular guideline for dress or appearance. The waiver request shall be in writing from the parent or guardian and approved by the principal and/or principal's designee on an annual basis. In considering a waiver request, the principal and/or principal's designee has the right to request additional documentation from medical officials and/or religious leaders.
- ◆ BMS Parent Action Council will assist in the design and implementation of our plan to assist families in need. Our guidance counselors, nurse, and social worker will serve as the team that identifies families of potential need.



Beaufort Middle School Uniform Dress Policy 2019-2020



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Shirts, Sweaters, and Sweatshirts (Tops):

- ◆ Tops may be solid white, black, gray or red.
- ◆ Students must wear plain shirts with a collar. Mock turtlenecks and turtlenecks are acceptable.
- ◆ Shirts may have school-approved logos.
- ◆ Shirts may not exceed one size larger or smaller than necessary as determined by the school administrator.
- ◆ Shirts must be tucked in.
- ◆ White T-shirts (long or short sleeves) may be worn under uniform shirts.
- ◆ Students may wear plain, hooded or unhooded sweaters or sweatshirts over school uniforms. The sweaters or sweatshirts may be solid white or school designated colors.

Pants, Skirts, Skorts, Jumpers, Capri Length Pants, and Shorts (Bottoms):

- ◆ Bottoms may be solid khaki or black.
- ◆ Jeans that follow the district dress code are permitted on Fridays and other special days designated by the administration.
- ◆ Bottoms must be free of graphics and embroidery. With the exception of small labels, bottoms may not have insignias, words or pictures.
- ◆ Shorts, skirts, skorts, and jumpers shall be modest and of sufficient length. The length of these articles of clothing shall be no shorter than three (3) inches above the top of the knee when standing.
- ◆ Cargo-style pants or shorts are not permitted.
- ◆ No skinny jeans or pants. Bottoms may not have any holes, rips or tears.
- ◆ Clothing may not exceed one size larger or one size smaller than necessary as determined by a school administrator. Baggy or sagging pants or shorts are not permitted. “Low rise” clothing is not permitted. Pants, shorts, and skirts must be worn at the natural waistline.
- ◆ Belts must be worn if pants, skirts, skorts or shorts have belt loops (exceptions may be made by administration). Belt buckles must not be oversized, computerized or have any writing that is considered offensive.

Coats and Jackets (Outerwear):

- ◆ Outerwear may not be worn inside the school building during the school day except during a class change if the student is exiting the building.
- ◆ Outerwear worn to school will be placed in the student’s locker, or other designated location in the classroom. Exceptions will be made if the building/classroom is unusually cold.

Shoes, Sneakers, and Boots (Footwear):

- ◆ Footwear must be worn at all times, and, as needed, shoes shall conform to special requirements, e.g., P.E. classes, etc.
- ◆ Laces on shoes or sneakers must be tied.
- ◆ Flip flops, cros, Heelies, sliders or slippers are not permitted.

Other Clothing Items or Accessories:

- ◆ Students may not wear large pendants or medallions, oversized jewelry, or beads.
- ◆ Any adornment that could be perceived as, or used as, a weapon such as chains, spikes, etc. is not permitted.
- ◆ Gang-related clothing, accessories, symbols or intimidating items of dress, as identified by local law enforcement agencies, are not permitted.
- ◆ Head coverings of any kind, including but not limited to, hats, caps, bandanas, curlers, masks, visors, kerchiefs, athletic sweatbands, earmuffs, sunglasses or hoods are not permitted. Head coverings shall not be worn, carried, hung on belts or around the neck or kept in classrooms during regular school hours.

SCHOOL UNIFORMS...

- ◆ Fostering a productive learning environment
- ◆ Enhancing school safety
- ◆ Creating a sense of community
- ◆ Increasing school pride