

Pelham City Middle School

Dress Code Guidelines



Uniform:

1. Solid navy blue or khaki bottoms (pants, skirts, capris, jumpers/dresses, shorts) Shorts may be no more than six inches above the kneecap; skirts/dresses may be no more than three inches above the kneecap.
2. Solid white, navy, or gold collared polo style shirts.
3. Students may wear t-shirts bought from/approved by Pelham City Schools.

Shirts must be Pelham Hornet t-shirts.



Uniform Appearance:

1. Polo style shirts may have a school insignia, but no other ornamentation is allowed on any clothing;
2. All shirts must be tucked in and no cleavage should be visible;
3. **No denim**, knit pants, jogging or wind suit pants, joggers, jeggings, or leggings will be worn;
4. Tight or clinging clothes will **not** be worn;
5. Uniforms must be worn at the natural waist. They cannot be poorly fitted or oversized and baggy, so as to allow sagging of the pants. Belts must be worn if pants, skirts, or shorts have belt loops. If belts have buckles, they must not be oversized or have any writing that is considered offensive.
6. Jackets must have a zipper or buttons. Absolutely NO pullovers.

Accessories:

1. Shoes must be enclosed and fastened/tied properly. Shoes must be a matched pair. Shoes with wheels are not allowed. Bedroom shoes and slippers are not allowed; Socks must be a matched pair.
2. Coats and jackets must be worn unzipped or unbuttoned in the building.
3. Undershirts worn under the uniform shirts must be navy, white, or gold.
4. No manner of clothing, jewelry, button, or pin may display drugs, cigarettes, sexually suggestive items, alcohol, profanity, gang related logos or messages, or pictures or words that are determined to be distracting or demeaning to others by the school's administrators.
5. Hats, caps, sweatbands, bandanas, sunglasses, or any other distracting head coverings are not permitted inside the building.
6. Tattoos and body piercings are not permitted to be visible at school. At school, students may not wear items such as nose rings, nose pins, tongue rings, tongue pins, or any jewelry to accessorize facial or body piercing (this excludes earrings).
7. Extreme/unnatural color hair (purple, blue, green, orange, red, yellow)/hairstyles, make-up, etc. must not be distracting, immodest, inflammatory, or offensive. The hairstyle must not cover the face.
8. Chains, wallet chains, and spiked jewelry are not allowed on campus or school related activities.
9. A student shall not wear or use emblems, insignias, badges, or symbols which are likely to distract the attention of other students in the classroom, cause disruptions or interference with the operation of the school, or violate health and safety standards of the school. No clothing shall be worn which displays messages that are profane, vulgar, lewd, indecent or sexually suggestive, or which contains alcohol, tobacco or drug advertisements, or which advocates criminal activity.

Dress Down Days:

School administrators will be permitted to allow "Dress Down Days" for incentive purposes or as a fundraiser. The following guidelines apply:

1. When designated by the school administration, students may wear any **APPROPRIATE** clothing of their choice.
2. Clothes with deep slits, cuts, tears, or frayed edges will not be worn.
3. Students may wear blue jeans **without slits or holes**. If pants have belt loops, a belt must be worn.
4. Shirts may be any color, must display an appropriate insignia, must have sleeves, and may not be sheer.