

## Birchwood School Dress Code

The Birchwood School dress code reflects our desire to maintain an academic atmosphere and does not reflect personal or administrative opinions about dress or style. Our dress code is intended to minimize personal and social distractions often connected with young peoples' preoccupation with fashion and to help students focus on their academic responsibilities. We ask parents to understand the intention and purpose of our dress code and help us head off problems before the school must exercise discipline.

ITEM	TYPE	STYLE	COLORS	VIOLATIONS
SHIRTS	SHORT SLEEVED LONG SLEEVED	Polo Collared Turtleneck	<u>Solid Colors</u> Navy Blue Forest Green White Red (visible layers must be dress code colors)	Tank Tops Sleeveless T-shirts Midriff revealing Logos other than Birchwood
PANTS	LONG PANTS CAPRIS for girls	Dress	Khaki Navy Blue Black	Midriff revealing Excessively baggy Cargo/leg pockets Bell Bottoms Jeans Gym Pants Leggings worn as pants
SHORTS	LONG SHORTS (no shorter than 2 inches above the top of the knee)	Dress	Khaki Navy Blue Black	Midriff revealing Excessively baggy Cargo/leg pockets Jeans
SWEATERS	SHORT SLEEVED LONG SLEEVED VEST	Pull-over or Cardigan (with buttons or zippers)	<u>Solid Colors</u> Navy Blue Forest Green White Black, Grey Red	Logos other than Birchwood
SWEATSHIRTS (During winter months)	LONG SLEEVED	Pull-over, Hoodie, or Fleece	(same as SWEATER colors above)	Not wearing an appropriate polo, collared, or turtleneck shirt underneath Logos other than Birchwood
SHOES	ATHLETIC DRESS	Flat soles (no heels)	<u>Athletic</u> Prominent Color: white, black, grey; moderate markings Shoelaces: White, black, grey <u>Dress</u> Black or brown (non-marking)	Fluorescent colors Open toe shoes, sandals Crocs, clogs, slippers, moccasins Boots Rhinstone/sparkles
SKIRTS for girls	SKIRTS/SKORTS (no shorter than 2 inches above the top of the knee)	Dress	<u>Solid Colors</u> Khaki Navy Blue Black	Jean

JUMPERS for girls	(no shorter than 2 inches above the top of the knee)	Dress	Khaki Navy Blue Black Plaid: Navy Blue or Forest Green <b>acceptable Land's End</b> –Classic navy/evergreen Plaid and hunter/classic navy plaid	Jean  (continued on next page)
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BELTS (if worn)		Dress	Black or Brown	
HAIR for boys	SHORT	Clean-cut, off the ear, off the collar, out of the eyes		
HAIR for girls		Neat and off the face	Hair clips and bands must be school colors	Any decorative item such as beads, flowers, streaks of color, etc.
SOCKS, TIGHTS, and LEGGINGS	DRESS		<u>Solid Color</u> Navy Blue, Forest Green, White, Grey, Brown, Tan, Black	Prints, Patterns, or Stripes
GYM SHIRTS	SHORT or LONG SLEEVED	T-shirt	<u>Solid Colors</u> Grey, White, or colored BW t-shirt or BW competition t-shirt	Sleeveless; Logos other than Birchwood School
GYM SHORTS	LONG (no shorter than 2 inches above knee)	Athletic	Navy Blue Black Grey	
GYM PANTS	LONG (or capris for girls)	Sweat, Athletic	Navy Blue, Black, Grey	
GYM SWEATSHIRTS	LONG SLEEVED	Pull-over or Hoodie	<u>Solid Colors</u> Navy Blue, Forest Green, White, Black, Grey	Logos other than Birchwood School

### Other Violations:

- Hats and hoods are not to be worn in the school building
- Excessive jewelry: No dangling earrings; one other piece of modest-sized, non-distracting jewelry allowed
- No make-up or nail-polish; No tattoos
- No backpacks, purses, or decorative bags allowed in classes
- Use of electronics not allowed during school day

### Dress down days

- The first school day of each month beginning in October as a reward for students who comply with the school dress code daily.
- Reading days each month for students in grades 3-8 for comfort during sustained silent reading.
- Children may wear clothing of their choice with the exception of sleeveless shirts, clothes with holes, or inappropriate logos or graphics. Shoes must have a closed toe and heel.

### Field Trips

- School dress code should be followed unless otherwise indicated on field trip form
- When asked to dress up, students are not allowed to wear jeans, shorts, or t-shirts

- When allowed to dress down, students should follow the dress down day policy
- Students must follow dress code policy for shoes on all field trips

**Consequences for dress code violations:**

First warning - Verbal reminder to student

Second warning - Written reminder sent home to parent requiring parent signature

Third warning – Student will not be allowed in class until violation is corrected