

Make-Up, Hair, & Accessories

- Mohawks, “faux” hawks, punk style haircuts, highly pointed hair, shaved designs or wording in hair or eyebrows are not acceptable as they can be disruptive to the learning environment.
- Students’ hair may not be an unnatural color such as blue, green, purple, “fire-engine red”, etc.
NOTE: Students who come to school with inappropriate and distracting hair styles will need to call their parents to come pick them up and they may not return until it is corrected.
- Elementary students may not wear make-up to school unless it is for a special program or presentation for the class or school and has been requested by the teacher.
- Rub on tattoos are not to be worn at school.
- Students are discouraged from wearing expensive jewelry to school. If the jewelry is lost, broken, or misplaced, neither the school nor the teacher can be responsible for its return or replacement.
- Jewelry worn at school must not pose a safety or health hazard to the students and it must not cause disruption in the class or on campus. Large hoop earrings are not allowed in elementary.
- Facial piercings and gauges are NOT allowed. Earrings are acceptable.

Book Bags

- Please put your child’s name in or on the book bag. Students may use the backpack or roller type book bag.
- All book bags are to be free from violent or aggressive designs. Items with skulls and crossbones on them are not allowed.

Consequences

- **First Offense**—Student will call home for parent to bring an appropriate change of clothing. If no one is available to bring clothes to school, the student will be given a school-issued shirt (if available) that must be returned the next day. If no one is available to bring clothes to school and there is not a school spirit shirt available, the student will stay in ISS for the day.
- **Second Offense**—Student will call home for parent to bring an appropriate change of clothing. If no one is available to bring clothes to school, the student will stay in ISS for the day.
- **Third Offense**—Student will receive a discipline referral and be sent to ISS for the day.
- **Further Offenses**-Additional ISS days will be assigned for subsequent offenses.

**If a student is unsure about whether an item meets the dress code guidelines, the student may bring the item in for review by administration prior to wearing it to school.

There may be special days throughout the year when students are allowed to dress in the Hernando County Dress Code.

Administration will have final discretion on ALL dress code violations.

The Dress Code is in effect beginning the first day of school, setting the tone and expectations for the entire school year.

Revisions to the CK8 Elementary Dress Code may be made during the school year should the need arise. All changes will be posted on the school’s website and Facebook page.

Challenger K8 School of Science & Mathematics



Elementary Dress Code Requirements

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**Assistant Principals:
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It is our belief that school is a child's first job and therefore, the student should dress appropriately to "go to work". Our dress code is not predicated by fashion or fad.

General Guidelines

- All clothing is to be neat, clean, without holes, rips, or patches, and **appropriately fitted**.
- Undergarments, including camisoles, are **NOT** to be visible.
- Clothing displaying skulls & crossbones, weapons, lace, or camouflage may **NOT** be worn.
- Appearance, accessories, or attire may not be disruptive to the learning environment.

Appropriate Footwear

For the safety of our children, since they have PE and recess everyday, close-toed, athletic shoes with rubber soles will need to be worn on a daily basis.

No heely's with skate wheels.

Spirit Day Fridays

On Fridays, students have the option of wearing jeans or jean shorts and a CK8 spirit t-shirt. When there is no school on Friday, jeans and a CK8 spirit t-shirt may be worn on Thursday of that week.

Ditch the Duds

Once a month, students can dress out of CK8 dress code for \$1. All money raised goes to a specific program, community outreach project, etc. Students **MUST** follow district dress code. For details regarding district dress code go to the Hernando County Student Code of Conduct Appendix A.

Appropriate Tops & Jackets

- Polo-type shirts are standard for all students and are to be **solid color**.

The following styles may be worn:

- Polo-type shirts with short or long sleeves
- Cotton uniform blouses with a collar may be worn under a jumper
- Turtlenecks, mock turtlenecks and sweatshirts in solid color

The following styles may not be worn:

- Shirts/blouses with lettering, designs or graphics
- Dressy or silky blouses
- Plaid, checkered or striped shirts/blouses
- Sleeveless shirts/blouses
- Tank tops
- T-shirts not from CK8
- Athletic shirts or jerseys
- Plain or checkered flannel shirts used as a jacket
- Zip-up jackets, pullover sweatshirts and heavy fiber-filled jackets must be solid colored, with a logo no larger than 3x5 index card on the jacket or sweatshirt. Students **MUST** wear a uniform shirt underneath their jackets.
- No **OVERSIZE** Jackets will be allowed. Jackets must **NOT** be longer than hips.

Jumpers, Dresses, Skirts, and Skorts

- Must be khaki or navy and uniform style with pockets sewn on inside.
- Jumpers can have either pleated or straight skirts and must be no shorter than 3" above the knee.
- Polo-type dresses in solid colors (If the dress is too short for the activities of the day, student must wear shorts under the dress.)
- Solid color leggings may be worn under jumpers, dresses, skirts, or skorts
- Regular dresses and long skirts are not

Hats, Scarves, Bandanas

With teacher approval, hats may be worn outside for recess, special events, or while working on projects. Otherwise, hats, scarves, and bandanas may be worn only as part of a costume or dress for a special project or presentation. Hats are not to be worn inside the building except on special "Hat Days".

Pants and Shorts

- Uniform pants and shorts are to have inside pockets, not "outside pockets". Outside pockets are like the back pockets on denim jeans.
- Uniform colors for pants and shorts are khaki, black, or navy. Scout uniforms may be worn on the days the student has a scout meeting.
- Pants are to be the proper length for the height of the child. The pant legs should not be so long that they pile up on top of the child's shoes or drag on the floor.
- Pants and shorts should also fit properly around the child's waist. Pants that hang from the hips are unacceptable. If it is necessary to ensure proper fit, a belt should be worn.

The following styles may not be worn:

- Shorts shorter than 3" above the knee
- Spandex or stretch pants of any kind
- Cargo pants or shorts
- Overalls or overall shorts
- Jeans or jean shorts except on days designated by the school
- Athletic shorts or sweatpants

Cold Weather Clothing

Students are still required to wear uniforms during cold weather months. **All shirts, sweaters, etc. are to be a SOLID COLOR without lettering, graphics, or stripes.** Cold weather items may include:

- Long sleeve polo-type shirts
- Sweatshirts with collared polo-type or turtle neck shirt underneath
- Pullover or button up sweaters
- Turtlenecks or mock turtleneck tops/sweaters
- Long pants are the same as regular uniform pants, but students may also wear corduroy pants.
- Light winter jackets (sweatshirt jackets/hoodies) are to be solid color.
- Heavy winter jackets with graphics such as sports teams may be worn as long as the graphics are not aggressive or violent in nature.
- **Please write child's name in every article of outerwear.**