

2023-2024 SCHOOL DRESS CODE K-7TH

Consistent with the principle that God does set standards for Christian modesty and appearance, our school expects its students to avoid extremes in clothing and to dress in good taste with the emphasis being upon cleanliness and neatness.

Student appearance must be conservative, clean, neat, and modest. Clothing that has been outgrown, dirty, torn, immodest, or that represents a sloppy appearance is not permitted.

Uniforms

The school board has approved the purchase of school uniforms from **Reds Team Sports** uniform store. The link to Reds can be found on our website at www.htcsfl.com or by calling them directly at **813-612-5999**. Orders must be placed **by the designated deadines on these sites prior to school starting** to guarantee delivery by the first day of school.

Hair

Hair must be neatly trimmed and groomed. No partially shaved or shaved hair designs on scalp or unnatural hair colors are permitted. Boys' hair length must not touch the collar or ears and eyes must be clearly visible. Braids are not permitted for boys if they do not meet the required hair length as stated above. The administration reserves the right to determine the appropriateness of questionable hairstyles.

Tops

Uniform shirts are solid colors in RED OR BLUE polo shirts and should be worn Monday through Thursday. Either color can be worn on any of these days. School shirts are sold with the HTCS logo imprinted on the upper left side. School Logo must be worn on ALL shirts to keep with uniformity. **All shirts should fit according to body size, not too small or too large.**

Bottoms

Bottoms are navy blue or khaki color. For girls, this consists of skorts, skirts, jumpers, knee length walking shorts or long pants. For boys, this consists of knee length walking shorts and long pants. Shorts worn above the knee and not considered longer walking shorts will not be permitted.

Bottoms must be proper fitting, not too baggy or not too tight. Parents are asked to use good judgment in determining when a child has outgrown his/her uniform. As children grow, uniforms will need replacing. Uniforms should not be worn to school dirty, ripped or torn.

Solid black belts **are required** if pants or shorts have belt loops.

Jewelry

All students may wear watches. Girls only may wear ear rings if not too large or a distraction or a danger. Items tied around the wrists, neck or ankles are not permitted.

Accessories

Make up is not permitted. Hats are not acceptable for indoors. Hoodies, scarves and bandanas are not to be worn with uniform. Tattoos are not permitted. Girls' hair accessories are to be in a **solid uniform color and not a distraction**. Logo caps from the uniform store may be worn for P.E. only. No other caps are permitted.

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Shoes and Socks

Shoes should be a **solid black** for both girls and boys.

Shoes may be a casual or a tennis shoe. Sandals or boots are not permitted at any time during the year. Sock colors for girls and boys should be coordinated with our uniform colors, such as white, red, navy or black. Fad or character socks are not permitted with uniforms. Socks must be seen and not hidden inside the shoe. **If a student is suspected of not wearing socks, they will be written up.**

Cold Weather Clothing

With the onset of cooler weather and/or cool classroom temperatures, the following may be worn *with the uniform shirt.*

- Properly fitting white turtleneck under uniform shirt or one in the same color as the uniform shirt.
- Properly fitting approved jacket from the uniform store. All jackets permitted for school must be purchased from the uniform store with a logo. **NO OTHER JACKETS** will be permitted to be worn at school - inside the building or outside for activities.

If proper outerwear is not in keeping with the uniform dress code colors, students will be asked to remove jackets and sweaters while on the school campus.

P.E. Clothing

An approved uniform is available for P.E. class at the uniform store and **should be worn on P.E. days.** In colder weather sweat pants can be worn with the Harvest Time P.E. shirt. **Students will be graded on dressing out for P.E. class.** An appropriate tennis shoe is also required to participate in P.E. activities. No color restrictions on tennis shoes. **Older PE shirt styles will no longer be permitted.** Students grades will be impacted if they are not in proper uniform.

Spirit Shirts

A spirit shirt is **required** on Fridays with jeans. Spirit shirts **must be ordered** through the uniform store. **Older Spirit shirt styles will no longer be permitted.** **Spirit Wear will also be required on all fieldtrips.** **Jeans are permitted on Fridays, ripped jeans with holes are not permitted. Shorts of any kind are not permitted on Fridays.**

Non-Uniform Day Policy

On occasion, certain days may be designated as a “non-uniform day” throughout the school year. The following clothes would be inappropriate on such days: sleeveless shirts or dresses, tank-top style shirts or short dresses, exposed mid-riff shirts, clothing with inappropriate pictures or sayings, short shorts (shorts must be walking shorts), ripped or torn jeans, flip flops.

Repeated dress code violations will result in suspension and or a student being expelled.