



Gatewood Schools

2007-2008 Dress Code

Dress Code

Good habits are established early in life and grow out of an atmosphere of respect for self and for others. These good habits are established and maintained by a consistent application of basic rules of conduct, dress and courtesy that reflect the cooperative effort of home and school.

The dress code applies while students are on campus or participating in school sponsored activities. Dress for athletic practices should be appropriately modest. Exposed midsections are not allowed. The administration and faculty will make all determinations in the appropriateness of apparel and grooming.

1. The dress code applies to students in grades 1 -12.
2. Clothing should be labeled with the student's name to facilitate the return of lost items.
3. Every Gatewood student is required to have at least one pair of long khaki pants or an appropriate length khaki skirt and a white collared Gatewood logo shirt. This attire must be worn on special designated occasions.

Girls and Boys

Shirts

1. All shirts must have a collar and must have sleeves.
2. Shirts may be long or short sleeved. They may be oxford, golf, mock turtleneck, or turtleneck. Knit shirts must have collars, buttons and be full length.
3. Crew collars are not permitted.
4. Shirts must be full length and be tucked in all the way around the waist at all times while on campus. Cropped shirts are not allowed.
5. No more than two buttons may be left open on a shirt. T-shirts and turtlenecks may be worn underneath the shirts, but the shirt must remain with only two buttons opened. T-shirts may not be worn over collared shirts.
6. Shirts may not be used as jackets.
7. Shirts may not have any writing or slogans on them. Only small logos are allowed on the left chest or sleeve.
8. All shirts should be of a modest nature. Any clothing that is too tight, form fitting, too loose, or too revealing is unacceptable. Shirts must not be transparent.
9. The shirt dress code is amended each Friday and on special announced occasions. "Spirit Friday" shirts are crewneck or collared shirts that bear the Gatewood Gators name. Any T-shirt sold or issued by Gatewood School or its support organizations, team jersey, or GISA tournament T-shirt with "Gatewood Gators" on it is acceptable, provided the shirt is in good condition. The shirts must be tucked in.

Sweaters, vests, and sweatshirts

1. When sweaters or sweatshirts are worn, a collared shirt must be worn underneath the sweater or the sweatshirt, and the collar of the shirt must be exposed.
2. Vests may be opened with a collared shirt underneath.
3. Tunics with collars or collared shirts underneath may be worn at hip length.
4. Vests, coats, jackets, etc. must be worn with the required collar exposed.

Pants

1. Pants must be of a solid color.
2. Pants must be of regular cut and normal fit. They must fit at the waist. Baggy styles are not permitted. Regular cut jeans are permitted.
3. All pants must be hemmed and without tears and holes. Pants may not be excessively long.
4. Belts must be worn with pants that have belt loops.
5. Hip huggers, low ride pants, and tight fitting pants are not allowed. No fatigues, cargo pants, sweatpants, or warm-up pants are permitted. Camouflage is not permitted.
6. Overalls are not permitted.



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Shorts, Skirts and Skorts

1. Shorts, skirts and skorts must be solid color and of the correct size. Belts must be worn with shorts that have belt loops.
2. Shorts, skirts and skorts are not to be shorter than the width of a dollar bill above the knee and the length may not fall below the knee.
3. Athletic shorts, cargo shorts, and tight shorts are not allowed.

Dresses and Jumpers,

1. Dresses and jumpers are not to be shorter than the width of a dollar bill above the knee.
3. Dresses should be modest and conservative. No extensive slits, sundresses, spaghetti straps, or exposed midsections are allowed.
4. Jumpers must be worn with a collared shirt, mock-turtleneck, or turtleneck shirt.
5. Dresses must have sleeves.

Shoes

1. Flip flops, thong sandals, and sport sandals are not allowed (grades 6-12).
2. Boys must wear shoes with closed toes (grades 6-12).
3. Sandals and shoes with exposed heels are not allowed for lower school students for safety reasons on the playground and at PE.

Grooming

1. Hairstyles and /or color must not draw undue attention to an individual or interfere with the educational process.
2. Boys' hair must not fall over the ear, below the eyes, or over the collar.
3. Students must be clean-shaven, and sideburns may not be any longer than the bottom of the ear.
4. The following are prohibited at Gatewood School:
 - a. Earrings on boys.
 - b. Hats, caps, bandanas, or sunglasses.
 - c. Facial or body piercing
 - d. Visible tattoos.
 - e. Any clothing or accessory that the administration deems unsuitable.

Dress for P.E. and Athletic Teams

1. Students in grades 6-12 must wear modest green or black gym shorts and a Gatewood spirit wear T-shirt. Failure to wear appropriate clothing will result in a reduction of the student's grade. P.E. clothing must be labeled with the student's name.
2. On game days athletic teams must wear khaki pants and a collared shirt with the school logo on the left chest or dress as directed by the coach.

For K-3, K-4, and K-5 students only:

1. Most clothing types are acceptable, including sweat suits, wind suits, and overalls. Shirts must have sleeves and cover the midsection.
2. No sandals or open heeled shoes are allowed.

Punishment for dress code violations

A student in violation of the dress code will be asked to change into appropriate clothing provided by the school. The director will keep the student's personal clothing until the school issued clothing is cleaned and returned. Parents may be called to bring appropriate clothing. Additional penalties will be assigned to repeated offenders.