

Dress Code

The purpose of the Elmwood Franklin School dress code is to encourage students to dress in a manner that is appropriate for school and respectful of their learning environment, their teachers, their peers, and themselves. The way our students dress should demonstrate pride in our school and reflect our Core Values of Community, Character, Creative Inquiry, and Individual Excellence.

Guidelines for Beginners – Grade 4

All clothing must be neat, in good repair, and free of slogans and text. Solids, patterns, prints, stripes, and plaids are permitted. All clothing must be appropriate for school.

Students may wear:

- dress pants, chinos, corduroys, and leggings (no jeans)
- tights and socks in any color, pattern, print, stripe, or plaid
- collared shirts, polos, t-shirts, turtlenecks, Henleys, blouses, or dressy cotton shirts
- skirts, dresses, jumpers, and shorts should not be higher than approximately four inches above the knee
- clothing with Elmwood Franklin School logo
- dress shoes, closed-toe shoes, sneakers, boots; shoes must have backs. Tie shoes must be tied. Safety is our primary concern.
- Hats and outerwear (outside only)

Students **may not** wear:

- denim jeans (any color)
- athletic wear, including sweatpants, jogging suits, yoga pants, jogging shorts, and spandex. Gym and running shorts, athletic pants, jackets, and tops may be worn only in gym classes and for sports events.
- shirts with writing, slogans, or graphics
- spaghetti straps or cropped tops
- clothing with holes or cutouts of the shoulder, torso, or leg
- clogs, sandals, platform shoes, slipper shoes, or those with heels over an inch

Guidelines for Grades 5 – 8

All clothing must be neat, in good repair, and free of slogans and text. Solids, patterns, prints, stripes, and plaids are permitted. All clothing must be appropriate for school.

Students may wear:

- dress pants, khakis, corduroys, or chinos
- dress shirts or blouses; no elasticized collars or t-shirts
- dresses or skirts not higher than two inches above the knee
- polo shirts and turtlenecks
- sweaters, vests, or quarter-zip sweaters or fleeces
- ties
- dressy shorts not higher than two inches above the knee (prior to Columbus Day weekend and after spring recess)
- dress shoes, closed-toe shoes, sneakers, boots; shoes must have backs

Students **may not** wear:

- denim pants (any color)
- cargo pants or shorts
- athletic wear, including sweatshirts with or without a hood, athletic/running shorts, and track, yoga, and sweatpants
- tank tops or spaghetti straps
- hats, jackets, and outerwear while indoors
- t-shirts or shirts with a banded collar
- flip-flops or open-toed shoes
- leggings or tights as stand-alone bottoms; they may be worn only with a skirt or dress
- clothing with holes or cutouts of the shoulder, torso, or leg
- Undergarments should not be visible