

## **APPEARANCE STANDARDS/DRESS CODE**

Appearance Standards promotes an atmosphere conducive to academic focus by reducing distractions. It provides clear expectations and consistent enforcement. It simplifies decision-making and reduces peer pressure. The ECS administration believes the appearance standards will enhance relationships by reducing conflicts that extend from home to the hallways to the classroom. The ECS Soaring Eagle Shop is the **ONLY** approved supplier of the specific articles of apparel designated below.

The administration reserves the right to address any fashion item, clothing item, or appearance that detracts from the spirit of the dress code.

### **GIRLS**

**General** – Fit and modesty are important. Tops must not be too short and/or tight and must cover the midriff (front and back) at all times. No long sleeve shirts under short sleeve shirts. ***School colors are defined as Gray, White, Black, Cardinal, and Gold.***

#### **Shirts**

- ECS uniform polo in school colors.
- ECS logo wear polo (school colors only) is permitted.

#### **Skirt/Pants**

- ECS uniform plaid or black pleated skirt. Shorts must be worn underneath skirts each day i.e. Nike, lulu, or any running type shorts. Skirts must be conservative in length, beyond the fingertips.
- Khaki pants

#### **Socks/Tights/Leggings**

- Crew, ankle, or low-cut socks must be worn.
- Black, white, or gray tights and leggings must be ankle-length and worn with socks.

#### **Shoes**

- All shoes must be closed toe and have a back. No Crocs, flip flops, house shoes, slippers, or sandals.
- Tennis shoes are permitted.
- Solid, conservative color boots are permitted. Laced boots must be tied appropriately.

#### **Hair/Appearance**

- Hair must be of natural color and a conservative style.
- Jewelry must be worn in moderation.
- Ear piercings are allowed, however any other piercings (nose, lip, eyebrow, tongue, etc...) are prohibited.
- No visible tattoos.
- No head covering of any kind (baseball hat, toboggan, etc.)

#### **Outerwear**

- ECS sweatshirt/hoodie, quarter zip, half zip, or full zip jacket available in the Soaring Eagle Shop or as part of an ECS sponsored event, sports team, camp, club, or Fine Arts ensemble.
- NO plain sweatshirts or sweatshirts with other logos are allowed.
- An approved dress code shirt must be worn underneath at all times.
- The use of blankets in and out of the classroom is prohibited on campus.
- On both uniform and non-uniform days, students are expected to adhere to the guidelines of the Dress Code. Students are NOT allowed to wear any item of clothing, apparel, buttons, stickers, flags, or any other item condemning or condoning a political candidate or political agenda.

### **Friday Logo Wear**

- May wear jeans that fit appropriately with an ECS Spirit Wear top which is defined as: ECS t-shirt, hoodie/sweatshirt, or jacket available in the Soaring Eagle Shop or as part of an ECS sponsored event, sports team, camp, club, or Fine Arts ensemble.
- Jeans may not have holes or rips.

### **BOYS**

**General** – All shirts must be collared and long enough to stay tucked in at all times. Undershirts should be short sleeved, solid color, and plain in school colors. ***School colors are defined as Gray, White, Black, Cardinal, and Gold.***

### **Shirts**

- ECS uniform polo or oxford button down in school colors with.
- ECS logo wear polo (school colors only) is permitted.

### **Pants**

- Khaki pants (flat-front or pleated).
- No cargo, Carhartt, or jeans are permitted.

### **Belt**

- Leather or canvas belt must be worn.

### **Socks**

- Crew, ankle, or low cut must be worn.

### **Shoes**

- All shoes must be closed toe and have a back. No Crocs, flip flops, house shoes, slippers, or sandals.

### **Hair/Appearance**

- Hair must be above the collar, above the eyebrows, and must be of natural color and conservative style (i.e. no pony tail, mohawk, headbands, etc.).
- Boys must be clean shaven every day.
- No earrings, body piercings, visible tattoos, or painted fingernails.
- No head covering of any kind (baseball hat, toboggan, etc.)

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### **Out-of-Uniform Clothing Requirements**

Students should follow these guidelines for any Dress Up Day or Appreciation Day. For rules regarding Logo Wear Days, please see the Appearance Standards in the Handbook.

Dress Up Days are not simply excuses to dress down. Students must dress according to the theme of the day. If not, students must be in normal dress code. **Modesty, tastefulness, and appropriateness are the foundation of these general guidelines.**

- Students may wear skirts or shorts, as long as those items follow the theme of the day. Shorts or skirts must comply with the fingertip length rule addressed under Appearance Standards.
- Spandex, leggings, or other tight-fitting clothing can never be worn alone.
- Jeans, sweat pants, warm-up pants, and khaki pants are all allowed.
- Appropriate accessories, such as shoes, socks, wigs, jackets, hats, and sunglasses are allowed. However, those items must follow the theme for the day, and any hat or facial covering must be easily removable and must not cover the entire face.