

PROCEDURES FOR APPROVAL AND DISCONTINUING

APPROVAL

- ◆ All parents/guardians will be surveyed to determine if they are in favor of students wearing consistent attire. At the high school level, students shall be included in the decision to mandate the wearing of consistent attire. If at least 70% of the parent surveys are returned and 60% of those parents are in favor of consistent attire, the plan will be submitted to the Board of Education for approval.

DISCONTINUING

- ◆ All parents/guardians will be surveyed at the end of the **first year** to determine if they are in favor of discontinuing consistent attire. If at least 70% of the parent surveys are returned and 60% of those parents are in favor of discontinuing consistent attire, the plan will be submitted to the Board of Education for approval.

MEASURE OF SUCCESS

- ◆ Each school will look at discipline numbers overall and compare them to the previous year, as well as, survey parents. Staff members will also be surveyed in each school to assess the school

PROCUREMENT

- ◆ Procurement can come from any vendor meeting the basic requirements as stated above.

CONSEQUENCES FOR VIOLATION

FIRST OFFENSE:

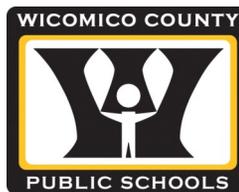
- Student conference with administrator to discuss the violation and review the Consistent Attire Program
- Parent contact by the administrator to discuss the violation of the policy and subsequent consequences should more violations occur
- Change of clothing by student to rectify violation (provided by student or parent)
- Student will be placed in In-School Intervention (ISI) until appropriate clothing is secured

SECOND OFFENSE:

- All of the above
- *Student discipline disposition at the discretion of the administrator*

THIRD OFFENSE:

- All of the above
- *Student will be assigned to in-school or out-of-school suspension day(s) (at the discretion of the administrator while utilizing progressive discipline)*



The mission of Wicomico County Public Schools is to provide all students an educational foundation and a set of skills which will enable them to become responsible and productive citizens in our society.

Wicomico County Board of Education Consistent Attire Program Policy



The policy is designated to identify what may be worn in school during the regular school day.

All students should take pride in their appearance with dress and grooming that contribute to the health and safety of the individual without disrupting the orderly educational process. The Consistent Attire Program Policy is in effect during the instructional day and during academic and professional activities outside the school day when students are representing the school. This policy is not subject to interpretation. It is intended to eliminate questions on what can and cannot be worn.



TOPS: long sleeve/short sleeve oxford, polo shirt, turtleneck in solid white, navy, light blue, gray or school color*

- All shirts must have a collar and must be tucked in or worn at mid hip. During normal routine activities like raising arms or bending over, no skin or undergarments should be visible between waistband of the pants and the bottom of the shirt.
- Crewneck, Cardigan, V-neck sweaters, vest or fleece pullovers in **navy blue** may be worn with appropriate collared shirt underneath.
- Turtlenecks (solid white, navy, light blue, gray, school color) permitted under appropriate collared shirt.
- Hooded attire is not permitted at any time.
- No logo or writing is allowed on shirts. (School mascot logos are permitted.)
- All tops should be of appropriate size so not to cause stretching or gapping of the material. Tops should not be tight to the skin or baggy.

* School colors: yellow (Beaver Run, Pemberton, Pinehurst, Prince Street), dark blue (Chipman), orange (Delmar), royal blue (North Salisbury, WELC), maroon (West Salisbury)

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

- Students who attend activities directly after school (STARS, MAST, Kids Club, etc.) should continue to wear CAP clothing..
- When students return to school in the evening, their parents may choose whether they return in the apparel they wore to school that day or if they wear Non-CAP attire. If Non-CAP attire is worn, it must meet the Wicomico County Dress Code Policy.
- Some activities, such as concerts, may specify a different type of clothing.

BOTTOMS: Navy blue, black, or Kahki style pants, capris, walking shorts, skorts or jumpers

- Skirts, dresses and jumpers (being no shorter than 3" above the top of the knee while standing), skorts and shorts (no shorter than 5" above the top of the knee while standing) can be worn.
- Clothing items must be worn at the natural waist (above the hips).
- A solid color belt must be worn if clothing item has belt loops. Belts **may not** be accessorized, have adornments or have decorative belt buckles.
- Clothing items must not be cargo style, have multiple zippers or pockets, or have any adornments.
- All bottoms should be of appropriate size so there is not stretching or gapping of the material. Bottoms should not be tight to the skin or baggy.
- Jeans are **not** permitted.



FOOTWEAR:

- Shoes must be worn at all times. Footwear must be appropriate for the student's designated activity— such as tennis shoes for PE and shoes that are safe for running and climbing on the playground.
- Shoes that are closed in the back or have a back strap.
- Slippers and flip-flops are not permitted.

LEGWEAR:

- Solid color white, tan, natural, black, gray or navy blue socks, tights, or pantyhose may be worn.
- Leggings should fit so they are not tight to the skin or baggy (leggings and tights are not appropriate bottoms).



CLARIFYING STATEMENTS:

- Sleeveless shirts, t-shirts, tank tops, lounge wear, or pajamas are **not** permitted.
- Hats, head coverings, visors, scarves or sunglasses are not to be worn in the building unless for religious or medical reasons (documentation required).
- Cut-offs, frayed seams, and holes are not permitted on any clothing.
- Students must remove and store all outerwear in the place designated by their teacher when they enter the building.
- **Store and brand logos or signs are not permitted to be visible on tops.**
- **Jeans are not permitted as bottoms.**



SCHOOL PICTURES:

- School pictures are taken twice a year. When pictures are taken students have a choice of wearing their consistent attire or dressing in Non-Consistent Attire as long as it follows the Wicomico County Dress Code Policy.



PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLASSES:

- Athletics shoes or tennis shoes are required.
- Skirts or jumpers should **not** be worn unless shorts are underneath.
- Students will wear the clothing for class that they wore to school that day. (elementary)

NON-CAP DAYS:

- Administrative decisions will be made for school-wide incentives.