

# W.R. Thomas Middle School Dress Code/Uniform Policy

Our student dress-code and uniform policy is designed to be conservative in nature to enhance the learning environment of our students.

## **SHIRT:**

Buttoned Polo-style shirts, with collar and sleeves.

Colors: Solid colors only - BLACK, WHITE, AND YELLOW.

Details: Shirts must be tucked in at all times and buttoned.

## **PANTS:**

Docker-style loose fitting pants or black colored jeans without holes, rips, or tears. Colors: Solid - BLACK & KHAKI.

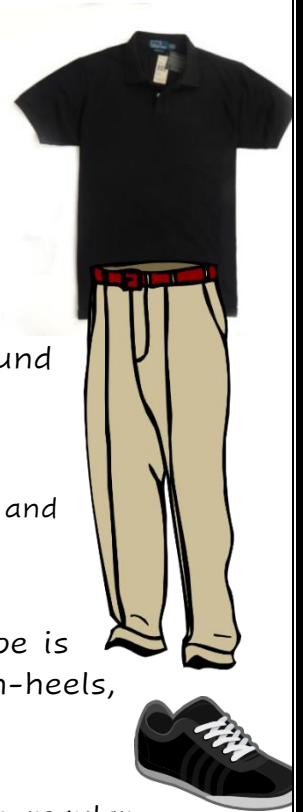
Details: Must be appropriate size and length. Pants must be worn around the waist line and pant legs may not be rolled up.

**BELT:** Pants must be belted if belt loops are present. Must be visible and worn every day. No baggy or saggy pants.

**SHOES:** Athletic tennis shoes or enclosed solid dark leather type shoe is acceptable. No open-toe, sling back (heel out), flip flops, sandals, high-heels, crocs, or any other shoes that pose a safety problem.

**OUTERWEAR:** No outer jackets, hoods, or coats worn during school in regular weather. Jackets/Sweaters must be in approved solid colors of - WHITE, YELLOW, GRAY, OR BLACK and without logo, markings, or designs. During COLD WEATHER DAYS - please note that the SOLID colored sweaters, sweatshirts, and jackets/coat policy REMAINS in effect. COLD WEATHER attire - long sleeved shirts in white, black, or yellow and long pants in Black or Khaki color.

**SPECIAL SHIRTS:** On Friday's ONLY, students may wear their "Do The Right Thing" shirt, School Spirit T-Shirt, or Club/Activity Shirts.



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### **Not acceptable at ALL – Parents please ensure you are aware of the information below:**

- NO Athletic Pants, Sweatpants, or Shorts.
- NO Leggings/Tights worn as pants as part of the regular uniform.
- Jeans with rips, tears, or holes on designated jean days.
- No hats, caps, berets, wave caps, scarves, or bandanas worn in the building.
- While sweaters with hoods are permitted, students may not wear the hood indoor on campus.
- No suspenders, clipping clothing ornaments, or belt chains hooked to wallets, keys, dog collars, or collars with spikes etc.

# W. R. TIGERS Are Sharp & Ready to Learn!

Students will only be removed from spaces, hallways, or classrooms as a result of a dress code violation that is not corrected by one of three options to be dressed to code as outlined below:

1. Students will be asked to put on alternative clothing, if already available at school, to be dressed to code for the remainder of the day;
2. Students will be provided with temporary school clothing (may be gently used) to be dressed to code for the remainder of the day; or
3. If necessary, students' parents may be called during the school day to bring alternative clothing for the student to be dressed to code for the remainder of the day.

If the Dress Code violation is not corrected by any of the options above, please note the consequences listed below:

## **CONSEQUENCES OF CONTINUED VIOLATION OF SCHOOL DRESS CODE:**

Any student who violates Board Policy 5511 – Dress Code and School Uniforms is subject to the following disciplinary actions:

FIRST (1) Offense: a student shall be given a verbal warning and the school Principal/Designee shall call the student's parent or guardian.

SECOND (2) Offense: the student is issued an administrative detention.

THIRD (3) Offense: the student will be ineligible to participate in field trips, school activities, athletics, and any other extra-curricular activities.

Exceptions to these dress requirements can be made by the school administration to allow students to observe religious customs or beliefs and to accommodate medical or health needs.

Parents and guardians can help by ensuring students' clothing or accessories do not interfere with the operation of the school, disrupt the educational process, invade the rights of others, or create a reasonably foreseeable risk of interference or invasion of rights. We believe that our students come to school ready to learn in appearance and apparel that promote healthy habits, safety, and overall well-being.

*\*If you have any questions or concerns relating to W.R. Thomas Middle School's Uniform Guidelines, please contact administration at (305) 995-3800.*

