2024 - 2025 Challenger K8 Elementary School Dress Code

It is our belief that school is a child's first job and therefore, the student should dress appropriately to "go to work." Our dress code is not predicated by fashion or fad.

General Guidelines:

- All clothing is to be neat, clean, without holes, rips, or patches, and appropriately fitted.
- Undergarments, including camisoles are NOT to be visible.
- Clothing displaying skulls & crossbones or weapons may NOT be worn.
- Appearance, accessories, or attire may not be disruptive to the learning environment.

Ditch the Duds:

Once a month, students can dress out of CK8 dress code for at least \$1. All money raised goes to a specific program, community outreach project, etc. Students MUST follow the district dress code. **Crocs and slides are not allowed even on Ditch the Duds for ALL grade levels.** For details regarding district dress code go to the Hernando County Student Code of Conduct which can be found at www.hernandoschools.org

*On Ditch the Dud days, leggings and pants with rips may only be worn with a top that reaches mid-thigh or below so as not to expose undergarments or body parts in an indecent manner.

School Photo Days:

Yearbook Student Photos: Students should follow the CK8 dress code. **Spring School Photos:** Students can follow the HCSB dress code.

Spirit Day Fridays:

On Fridays, students can wear jeans, jean shorts, or uniform bottoms with a CK8 spirit t-shirt. When there is no school on Friday, jeans and a CK8 spirit T-shirt can be worn on Thursday of that week.

Game Day Shirts:

Game Day t-shirts can be worn throughout the school year when middle school athletic teams have a game. The Game Day t-shirt can be worn with jeans, jean shorts, or uniform bottoms. Game Days will be posted on CK8's Facebook page.

Hats, Scarves, Bandanas:

With teacher approval, hats may be worn outside for recess, special events, or while working on projects. Otherwise, hats, scarves, and bandanas may be worn only as part of a costume or dress for a special project or presentation. Hats are not to be worn inside the building except on special "Hat Days."

Book Bags:

Please put your child's name in or on the book bag. Students may use a backpack or roller type book bag. All book bags are to be free from violent or aggressive designs. Items with skulls and crossbones on them are not allowed.

Cold Weather Clothing:

Students are still required to wear uniforms during cold weather months. Please write child's name in every article of outerwear. Elementary students can wear jeans when the weather is below 50° in the morning. No sweatpants.

*If a student is unsure about whether an item meets the dress code guidelines, the student may bring the item in for review by administration prior to wearing it to school.

*Revisions to the CK8 Elementary Dress Code may be made during the school year should the need arise. All changes will be posted on the school's website and Facebook page.

Administration will have final discretion on ALL dress code violations. The dress code is in effect beginning the first day of school, setting the tone and expectations for the entire school year.

Dress Code Consequences:

First Offense:

A student shall be given a verbal warning and the administrator or their designee shall call the student's parent or guardian to bring a change of clothes.

Second Offense:

The student is ineligible to participate in any extracurricular activity for a period of time not to exceed five days, may lose a privilege and the school administrator or their designee shall call the student's parent or guardian to bring a change of clothes.

Third Offense and Subsequent Offenses:

Student will receive a discipline referral and be sent to ISS for the day. The student is ineligible to participate in any extracurricular activity for a period not to exceed thirty days, may lose additional privileges and the school administrator will call the student's parent or guardian to bring a change of clothes.

Guidelines:

Footwear: Unacceptable **Acceptable** For the safety of our children, since they have PE and recess every day, close-toed, athletic shoes with rubber soles will need to be worn daily. Heely's with skate wheels are not permitted *For safety, students must follow this even on Ditch the Dud days. **Acceptable Tops and Jackets:** Unacceptable Polo type shirts are standard for all students and are to be solid color. The following styles may be worn: - Polo-type shirts with short or long sleeves. - Cotton uniform blouses with a collar under a jumper. - Turtlenecks, mock turtlenecks and sweatshirts in solid color. - Outerwear including hoodies, sweatshirts, zippered jackets to include appropriate clothing line logos, patterns and colors. The following styles may not be worn: - Shirts/blouses with lettering, designs, or graphics. - Dressy or silky blouses. - Plaid, checkered or striped shirts/blouses or flannels. - Tank tops, sleeveless shirts/blouses. - T-shirts not from CK8, athletic shirts or jerseys. Unacceptable **Acceptable Bottoms:** Jumpers, Dresses, Skirts, and Skorts: - Must be solid in color and uniform style. - Jumpers can have either pleated or straight skirt and must be no shorter than 3" above the knee. - Polo-type dresses in solid colors (if the dress is too short for the activities of the day, students must wear shorts under the dress). - Solid color leggings may be worn under jumpers, dresses, skirts, or skorts. - Regular dresses and long skirts are not allowed. Pants and Shorts: - Uniform colors for pants and shorts need to be solid. - Pants are to be the proper length for the height of the child. The pant legs should not be so long that they pile up on top of the child's shoes or drag on the floor. - The pant legs should also fit properly around the child's waist. Pants that hang from the hips are unacceptable. If it is necessary to ensure proper fit, a belt should be worn. * Scout uniforms may be worn on meeting days. Make-Up, Hair, Accessories: Unacceptable **Acceptable** - Mohawks, highly pointed hair, shaved eyebrows, and inappropriate designs or wording shaved into hair are not acceptable as they can be disruptive to the learning environment. - Student hair may not be an unnatural color in its' entirety. *Students who come to school with inappropriate and distracting hairstyles will need to call their parents to come pick them up and they may not return - Elementary students may not wear make-up to school unless it is for a special program or presentation for the class or school and has been requested by the teacher. - Rub on tattoos are not to be worn to school. - Students are discouraged from wearing expensive jewelry to school. If the jewelry is lost, broken, or misplaced, neither the school nor the teacher can be responsible for its return or replacement. - Jewelry worn at school must not pose a safety or health hazard to the student and must not cause disruption in the class or on campus. - Facial piercings and gauges are NOT allowed. Earrings are acceptable. Large hoop earrings are not allowed in elementary school.