



2017-2018 FAYETTE ACADEMY DRESS CODE

Fayette Academy's policy on dress code is based on the following principles:

- Promote a sense of pride in our school.
- To be practical and smart based on the current styles of clothing.
- Prevent students from coming to school in clothes that could be distracting.
- Make students feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance.

All Fayette Academy parents are expected to support the school dress code policy. Parents have the ultimate responsibility of ensuring their children come to school properly dressed and ready for their daily school responsibilities.

GIRLS:

Grades 1st – 12th:

- May wear dresses, skirts, skorts, and hemmed shorts no shorter than the length of a credit card from the top of the knee.
- Leggings/jeggings may be worn only with a loose-fitting appropriate tunic style top that hits no shorter than mid-thigh. Loose fitting tops with leggings MUST cover the buttocks.
- Shirts must cover the waistband while sitting or standing.
- No tank tops worn alone. Tank tops can be worn under a shirt.
- No halter tops, spaghetti straps, off-shoulder, or racer-back shirts.
- No sheer shirts without proper attire underneath.
- No shirts will be allowed that reveal cleavage or the midriff.

Grades 1st – 5th:

- Boys: May wear athletic shorts that are long, basketball style shorts.
- Girls: Athletic shorts are allowed; however, no volleyball style shorts will be permitted.
- Girls: T-shirts do not need to cover athletic shorts.
- No high heeled shoes.

All Students 1st – 5th:

- May wear sweat pants or wind pants to school (they should not be excessively baggy or tight).
- Shirts with or without collars are allowed. No writing allowed on the back of the shirt or down the sleeve. Writing on the front is limited to the manufacturer's logo no larger than pocket size.
- Sweatpants and wind pants are not to be worn at school unless part of approved game day apparel.

All Students 1st – 12th:

- All students may wear jeans or slacks (with no holes, tears, or frays). Jeans must fit appropriately (not excessively baggy or tight). Belts are required for all male students wearing jeans and slacks that are designed with belt loops. All shirts should be tucked in.
- All slacks, jeans, or skirts must be worn at the waist.
- Fayette Academy shirts are allowed.
- No shower or beach style flip-flop footwear.
- No clothing shall be allowed that displays inappropriate, obscene language, advertisements for alcohol or tobacco, or displays or promotes drug or alcohol use
- No clothing will be allowed that displays printing across the buttocks.
- All students are expected to maintain a neat and groomed appearance while attending school and school-sanctioned events.
- Boys shall be clean-shaven and maintain hair in a manner that does not exceed the collar of their shirts in the back, does not extend below the eyebrows in the front, or extend below the middle of the ears on the side.
- Boys may not have ponytails or use any accessories (hair ties, clips, bands, etc.) to hold up hair that would fall below the collar or below the eyebrows if left unfastened. Boys will not be allowed to wear sideburns that exceed the bottom of the earlobes. No student's hair shall include designs cut into the hair.
- Unnatural hair color is prohibited.
- No visible body piercings or tattoos will be allowed other than girls' earrings. Boys are not permitted to wear earrings during school or school activities. No students are allowed to wear jewelry or studs in the tongue or nose. Visible piercing spacers are not allowed.
- Accessories, such as watches, bracelets, necklaces, and earrings should be appropriate and non-distracting. Any jewelry deemed distracting by administration is subject to removal. Proper hygiene is required so that offensive body odor is avoided. Fingernails should be trimmed, clean, and well-groomed.
 - No headwear in the building—hats, caps, toboggans, sweater hats, sweat bands, bandanas, no hoods on hooded sweatshirts, etc. (anything covering the head).
 - All dress code policy is upheld until AFTER a student formally graduates from Fayette Academy.
 - The administration reserves the right to disallow any clothing or grooming style that is perceived by the administration to be distracting or inappropriate.

SPECIAL EVENTS DRESS CODE:

Fayette Academy special events include but are not limited to the following:

- Meet the Vikings
- All home and away athletic events
- Athletic Banquets
- Club Banquets
- Induction Ceremonies
- All awards Ceremonies
- Formals and Prom
- Baccalaureate and Graduation
- Field Trips
- FA theater productions
- Field Day (helpers)

There are many special events throughout a school year. Attire requirements for each event may be different but should follow similar guidelines.

- Girls: Shorts and/or skirts/ dresses need to be a tasteful length
- Girls: Shorts should hit at least mid-thigh or longer
- Girls: Skirts/dresses should be longer than mid-thigh
- Girls: No shorts rompers allowed at awards, banquets, inductions, baccalaureate, or graduation
- Girls Formalwear: tasteful in length, no cut-outs (even covered with tulle) on the chest or stomach area, nor should cut-outs be excessively low in the back.
- Girls Formalwear: No excessively low cleavage (deep V cuts) or excessively high slits.
- Girls: Athletic events – shorts must be tasteful length, shirts must not contain any offensive language or pictures, no deep v cut shirts
- Girls: Must always represent Fayette Academy and the Mission of Fayette Academy in their appearance
- Boys: Awards, banquets, inductions, baccalaureate (coat and tie required), graduation (coat and tie required) – must be neat in appearance, collared shirts tucked in, belts worn, no t-shirts, and no caps or hats.
- Boys: athletic events – no shirts with offensive language or pictures
- Boys: Formalwear – tasteful with no distracting or offensive style and no hats.
- Boys: Pants/shorts must be worn at the hip
- Boys: Must always represent Fayette Academy and the Mission of Fayette Academy in their appearance

PE DRESS CODE:

All students participating in physical education and/or wellness classes will be required to wear P.E. uniforms purchased through the school's bookstore. Students who still have appropriate P.E. uniforms purchased from Land's End will be permitted to wear those assuming they are in suitable condition. Student will not be allowed to participate in class while in violation of this dress code. All infractions will be reported to the administration and the student will be required to correct the inappropriate attire prior to returning to class. Repeat offenders will be disciplined at the discretion of the Head of School.