



Dress Code

In an effort to eliminate the social and emotional distress of 'branding', Premier Charter School Students are expected to follow the PCS Dress Code each school day. Your clothing and grooming at school should be such that does not detract from the learning environment. Shoes must be worn at all times for safety and health purposes.

The PCS Dress Code is as follows:

- **Pants** – Students may wear long pants, shorts, jumpers, or skirts. Khaki is the only color option for pants, shorts, and skirts. Jumpers may either be khaki or navy blue. Pants must be worn securely around the waist. Shorts, skirts, and jumpers must be an appropriate length.
- **Belts** – A belt with a plain buckle must be worn at all times at PCS.
****Kindergarten students do not need to wear a belt.**
- **Shirts** – Collared shirts must be worn at all times at PCS. Shirts may be either long or short sleeved. Sleeveless shirts may not be worn. Shirts must be solid in color (no stripes, logos, checks, or decoration). Color options are as follows:
 - **Boys:** Boys may wear navy blue collared shirts or may wear a white collared shirt underneath a navy blue sweater.
 - **Girls:** Girls may wear navy blue collared shirts or may wear a white collared shirt underneath a navy blue sweater or navy blue or khaki jumper.
- **Spiritwear** – Students may wear on Fridays ONLY, PCS logo shirts/sweatshirts of varying colors. (Dress code bottoms must be worn).
- **Sweaters** – Students may wear navy blue sweaters made of knit material when it is cold. A white or navy blue collared shirt or turtleneck must be worn underneath sweaters. Turtlenecks may not be worn without a sweater. Students may not wear sweatshirts or 'hoodies' at PCS. *Spiritwear sweatshirts/hoodies may be worn on Fridays only. **8th grade students may wear "Class of..." shirts or 'hoodies'.
- **Walk for Hope T-Shirts** are considered dress code.
- **Shoes** – On days when the student has physical education class, the student must wear gym shoes that do not leave marks on the gym floor. **No Heelys** or **Wheelies** are allowed at the school.
- **Socks** – Students must wear solid neutral color matching socks (white, tan, black, navy or gray).
- **Leggings** or **tights** must be solid navy, tan or white.
- **Jewelry** – **No** excessive or distracting jewelry or accessories will be allowed.
- **Gum** – Students may not chew gum at any time while at PCS.

HATS, SCARVES, AND BANDANAS ARE NOT TO BE WORN IN THE SCHOOL BUILDING AT ANY TIME. THIS INCLUDES BEFORE SCHOOL, AFTER SCHOOL, AND EVENING ACTIVITIES. COLORED HAIR SPRAY AND FACE PAINT IS NOT ALLOWED. MAKEUP AND NAIL POLISH MUST BE IN GOOD TASTE.

***The PCS Administration has final authority in determining if a student's clothing is within the guidelines of the PCS Dress Code.** At PCS, we believe that families choose to send their students to our school because of our high academic and personal standards. We believe that our dress code is a large component of our high expectations. As such, enforcing or dress code policy is a high priority. When a student chooses to violate the school's dress code, including but not limited to refusal to wear a belt, refusal to wear pants securely around the waist, or choosing to wear shorts or skirts of inappropriate length, the following guidelines will be followed. School administration reserves the right to issue whatever consequences they deem to be most appropriate:

1st violation – Parent contacted by classroom teacher

2nd violation – Parent contacted by classroom teacher

3rd violation and subsequent violations – Any student who chooses not to follow the PCS dress code three or more times during the school year put themselves at risk of losing their guaranteed roster spot. When this occurs, the students' roster spot will be filled by a random lottery made up of students on the school's admission lottery, but there is no guarantee that they will be selected.

Consequences for dress code infractions will be as follows:

Kindergarten thru 2nd grade: The students will be asked to correct any dress code errors. Parents may be called and asked to bring the appropriate dress code to school that day. Tights and belts are the most common issues. K students do not need to wear a belt.

3rd thru 5th grade: Students are expected to dress themselves appropriately. They will be on a three warning system before they are asked to leave and not return until dress code can be appropriate. If a child continues a dress code issue, parents and students are willingly refusing to follow school policies and appropriate actions will be taken.

6th thru 8th grade: Students are aware of the dress code, make their own decisions and will be held accountable. Therefore, there will be no warnings. If a child is a continuous dress code issue, parents and students are willingly refusing to follow school policies and appropriate actions will be taken.

***If at any point a family requires assistance in the acquisition of clothing meeting the PCS Dress Code, they are encouraged to contact their child's grade level director. Clothing will be available through the nurse's office for emergencies only. Students do not have the option of getting clothing from the health center for dress code purposes.**