



Dress Code

Vision:

Bethel Park Elementary has a mandatory dress code for all K-6th students. We envision that the dress code will allow students creative expression while still uniting our community in school pride and focus on core values.

Rationale:

The purpose of Bethel Park Elementary dress code is to create a welcoming, academic community where students may place their sole focus on learning. The dress code will also enhance our students' school pride, unity, and the overall culture of our school. We ask that all families work with the school staff to support and enforce the dress code. The uniforms include but are not limited to what they wear but also electronic devices and them being on/or visible.

Key Facts:

- Dress code is in effect from the start of the school day **(8:15am)** until the end of the day **(2:45pm)**.
- Students who are not in dress code will be sent to the Dean/Assistant Principal of Culture office to call home for the required dress items, and if that cannot be provided, families will be **charged** for any Bethel Park top that is given to them.

NOTE: Situational context is important here, please consult with Jade Welch if you are unsure of next steps.

Bethel Park Elementary Dress Code (K-6th)

Tops:

Students must wear any Bethel Park Elementary approved & branded logo top, sweatshirt, jacket, and/or hoodie as the outermost layer of clothing.

- Non-dress code outerwear may be worn outdoors. Upon entering the school



building any other outerwear will be put away in students' cubbies/lockers.

- All clothing must be worn in a way that conceals all undergarments, stomachs, and lower backs in all situations such as sitting on the floor, bending over, walking up the stairs, etc.

Bottoms:

Students may have free choice bottoms.

Not Permitted:

- Holes in jeans/pants
- Pajama Pants
- Middle finger rule applies to all shorts/skirts
- Spanx

Shoes:

Students must wear closed toe shoes.

- Crocs are permitted
- Shoes need to be sturdy and safe for physical activity and in case of an evacuation.

Others:

- Earbuds/Airpods may never be seen during school hours. The only permissible headphones allowed to be used in classrooms are wired headphones per instruction of the teacher.
- Hats, beanies, and hoods are not allowed indoors. Head coverings are permitted by religious custom.
- Accessories that could be considered dangerous or could be used as a weapon are not permitted at any time.

Dress Down Days:

“Special Dress Days” may occur for spirit weeks (Themed Dress Days), Pay Up to Dress Down Days, (earned) Dress down days, and during presentations that require more specific attire.

- Text on clothing or accessories that is biased or harmful, that promotes violence, gangs, alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or that is derogatory in any way is not permitted at any time.
- All of the “other” above apply unless given permission otherwise.

Physical Education Special:



- All expectations are also the same in PE as they are on normal school days.
- Students must wear clothes in which they can fully participate in all physical activities.

All uniform shirts can be purchased at the main office. School Logo Polos -\$5 and Bethel Park Gym Shirts- \$3 (prices may vary based on design) we will also sell patches that can be ironed on.

Fees accrued from being out of uniform if not paid will:

- hinder students from attending field trips.
- prevent distribution of files and/or graduations.

All fees can be paid at the main office by cash, credit/debit card.