

**DRESS CODE Holly Shelter Middle School 2018-2019**  
**(NHCS POLICY 8520)**  
**All Rules Apply Unless Otherwise Specified in an Educational Plan**

**TOPS/SHIRTS**

- All tops must be any solid-color collared shirt or HSMS spirit wear. The same policy applies to hoodies, sweaters, fleece, etc.
- Hoodies may be worn of any solid color or HSMS spirit wear.
- Official Holly Shelter spirit wear may be worn at any time (sleeveless jerseys must have a uniform top underneath).

**BOTTOMS/PANTS**

- All bottoms must be solid colored to include black, khaki, gray and navy blue. Denim material is permitted. *However, blue jeans are not permitted.*
- Bottoms may include:
  - Cargo/carpenter style pants, shorts or capris
  - Athletic shorts or sweatpants with the Holly Shelter logo
  - Dresses, skirts, or jumpers must fall at knee level
  - Pants must be worn at natural waist line and boys must wear a belt to keep pants at natural waist line – sagging is unacceptable.

**FOOTWEAR**

- Footwear may include sneakers (tennis shoes), boots, or sandals with a back strap.
- Sneakers (tennis shoes) are preferred
- **The following are not allowed:**
  - Flip flops, Rainbows, slides or other sandals without a back strap

**OUTERWEAR**

- Jackets, scarves, gloves and hats may be worn to school, but must be placed in students' lockers upon entry into the building.

**The following are NOT allowed and may result in missed classroom instruction as student will be sent to ISS until a change of clothes can be provided by parent:**

- NO Athletic pants, track pants, or sweatpants, that do not have the Holly Shelter Logo
- NO Leggings, Jeggings or Yoga pants
- NO Head bands or scarves (unless they are one of the Holly Shelter solid colors)
- NO Jeans (unless a jean designated day) and never with holes or rips in them
- NO Sagging pants -- pants must cover undergarments and ride at your waist at all times

**Assume that any garment type, style, or fad not listed above is not in accordance with the HSMS dress code.**

- Decisions about compliance will be determined by school staff.
- "Plain" means without graphics, pinstripes, dyed or embroidered designs.
- No undergarments are to be visible at any time.
- All clothing must be fitted appropriately. It must be worn at natural waist level and not be "too tight" or "too loose."
- Clothing may not be tied, knotted, or worn inside out.

Dress Code is part of Holly Shelter. It is supported by our staff and administration. Students who are prepared for school each day in dress code do not interrupt the learning environment of our school. Instruction is the main focus of each day. Therefore, dress code will be enforced, and students out of dress code will face consequences.

For the first few days of school, students will receive a written warning regarding dress code violations and be allowed to make the needed changes. Students who are not in dress code after day 3, will be sent to ISS (In School Suspension) and required to call home. You will be allowed to bring in proper clothing for your child so that they may return to class.

After the first week of school, dress code violations will result in automatic ISS. Anytime a student is sent to ISS for a dress code violation, parents may bring a change of clothes before 9:00AM. If the student is unable to change their clothing, they will remain in ISS for the day to complete their school work. Habitual dress code violations may result in a charge of Unruly youth, and consequences could include change of school placement.