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MANDATORY DRESS CODE

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Ongoing educational research indicates that students perform at a higher level when they do not have the distraction of daily fashion issues. To that end, the School Advisory Council (SAC) at Whispering Pines Elementary School has established the **Mandatory Dress Code** for students attending our school. The Whispering Pines SAC made this decision as a result of the overwhelming support of the parents of the community who completed the survey in the FY01 school year. The Mandatory Dress Code was updated by SAC in the FY14 school year and remains in place.

In general:

- a. **Shirts** (Polo style), Sweaters, Jackets, and or Sweatshirts:
 - a. Any solid color.
 - b. Have collars and sleeves.
 - c. May also be solid color t-shirt (with no writing) only if they have the Whispering Pines logo.
- b. **Pants, shorts, skirts, skorts, Capri pants, and jumpers:**
 - a. Any solid color.
 - b. Can be long or short pants.
 - c. Must be of appropriate length for shorts, skirts, skorts, Capri pants, and jumpers such that when the arms are extended, fingertips should touch the bottom of the short/skort/skirt.
 - d. May include Blue jeans. However, jeans are discouraged. Jeans with rips, holes, rips, and/or tears are not permitted.
- c. **Shoes:**
 - a. Must be closed toe shoes. Flip-flops, sandals, platform shoes of any type are not permitted.
 - b. Must not be open-toed.
 - c. Should have a back.
- d. **Belts:**
 - a. Must be buckled when/if worn.
- e. **Hats** or bandanas:
 - a. May only be worn outside at PE or while waiting to depart at the end of the day. However, hats are generally discouraged at school.

Clothing for Physical Education

The Physical Education uniform consists of shorts (pull-up with and elastic waistband), a tee shirt (available from PTA) or any solid color tee shirt, socks, and sneakers that fit securely. The clothing should allow your child to participate fully in the Physical Education activities with ease and comfort without being restricted. Any questions should be directed the Physical Education Teacher.

Other considerations for clothing include:

- Any type of dress that is disruptive to the educational process will not be permitted
- Advertising of alcohol, drugs, guns, or culturally insensitive topics will not be permitted
- Pants must be worn at the waist
- No mesh or sheer clothing is allowed
- Most of the clothing items listed above are available at local businesses including, but not limited to: JC Penny's, Kohls, Sears, Target, and/or WalMart (this is not meant as an endorsement of any vendor in favor or another).
- Similar clothing is also available from a variety of sources on the internet.

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