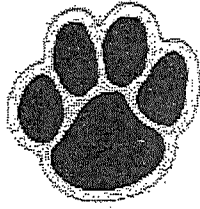


Harold H. Clark Elementary School



Uniform Policy

In an effort to enhance the learning environment at Clark Elementary School, we have a mandatory uniform policy with an opt-out provision. Research indicates that uniforms have a positive impact on school-wide discipline and academic achievement. Uniforms provide a sense of school pride and positive self-esteem, allow students to focus on learning, save time and money, help maintain a safe and secure environment and reduce peer pressure.

Students are required to wear the school uniform Monday through Thursday. Students and staff may wear "spirit" shirts on Fridays. Students that do not wear "spirit" shirts on Fridays are required to wear regular collared uniform shirts. Donated uniforms are available to assist families who are unable to purchase uniforms.

An opt-out form (available in the front office) must be submitted if a parent does not want their child to participate in the uniform code. Students that opt-out are required to comply with the District Dress and Grooming Policy.

Thank you for supporting our mandatory uniform policy. If you have any questions regarding our uniform policy or are in need of uniform assistance, please contact administration.

School approved uniforms consist of the following:

Uniform Top:

Red, White, or Navy Blue Collared Shirt

Pants/Skirts/Shorts/Jumpers:

Navy-Blue or Khaki/Beige (blue jeans are permitted)

Hillsborough County Dress and Grooming Policy

- The dress and grooming policy shall be that which contributes to the health and safety of the individual and which is non-disruptive of the educational activities and process of the school.
- Shoes shall be worn and be securely fastened to the feet and have a low heel height. Footwear must be suitable for outdoor physical education classes and unsafe shoes such as "skate tennis shoes" are not allowed.
- Clothing that exposes the entire shoulder, tube tops, spaghetti straps, or similar type clothing, may be worn only with a blouse or shirt. Clothing exposing the torso or the midriff, either front, back, or sides, shall not be worn. Underwear shall not be visible.
- Clothing shall not expose the mid-chest area. Mini-skirts, mini-dresses and short shorts are not permitted. Hemlines shall be no shorter than fingertip length. All pants and shorts shall be secured at the waist.
- Hair shall be clean and neatly groomed. Head coverings shall not be worn in the building unless required for religious observance or health-related reasons. The general appearance of a student should reflect neatness and good personal hygiene.
- Garments and/or jewelry that display or suggest sexual, vulgar, drug, gang, weapons, or alcohol-related wording or graphics, or that provoke violence or disruption in the school, shall not be worn. Wallet chains shall not be worn.