Dowdell Middle Magnet School is a uniform school. Students wear a navy blue or white collar shirt to school Monday thru Thursday. On Fridays, students can wear a Dowdell Spirit shirt in place of a collar shirt.

HCPS Dress Code Policy: Sixth – Twelfth Grades

The dress and grooming of students shall be that which contributes to the health and safety of the individual and which is non-disruptive of the educational activities and processes of a school. (Student Code of Conduct p. 51)

**Shirts**

- Clothing that exposes the entire shoulder, tube tops, spaghetti straps, or similar type of clothing may only be worn with a blouse or shirt.
- Clothing exposing the torso or the midriff, either front, back, or sides shall not be worn.
- Clothing shall not expose the mid-chest area.
- Boys’ shirts shall have sleeves.

**Pants/Shorts/Skirts**

- All pants and shorts shall be secured at the waist.
- Underwear shall not be visible. *(1006.07 and 1006.15 Florida Statute commonly known as the Baggy Pants Bill)*
- Mini-skirts, mini-dresses, and short shorts shall not be permitted.
- Hemlines and holes shall be no shorter than fingertip length.
- Clothing traditionally designed as undergarments or sleepwear shall not be worn as outer garments.

**Shoes**

- Shoes shall be worn and be securely fastened to the feet.
- During Physical Education classes, shoes must be suitable for outdoor wear (no slides or flip flops).
- Skate tennis shoes and bedroom slippers are unacceptable and not allowed.

**Head Coverings**

- Head coverings shall not be worn in the building unless required for religious observance or health-related reasons.
- Items not to worn as head coverings include do rags, shower caps, bandanas, hoodies, baseball caps, knit hats, and beanies.

**Graphic wording or illustrations:**

- Garments and/or jewelry that display or suggest sexual, vulgar, drug, gang, weapons, or alcohol-related wording or graphics, or that provoke or may tend to provoke violence or disruption in the school, shall not be worn.
- Wallet chains shall not be worn.

A student violating the uniform/dress code policy will contact a parent for a change of clothing. The student will remain in the ISS room until the change of clothing has arrived.

Head coverings and graphic items will be confiscated, labeled and given to the student affairs office.