



As a school that seeks to empower its community members, Dwight is happy to offer Upper School students the opportunity to express themselves on a daily basis through the clothing they wear. It is our priority that students are entrusted with the freedom to feel creative, comfortable, and eager to learn. However, Dwight is still a learning community and a unique one in that our Upper School community shares space with many younger students. With that in mind, students are expected to dress in a way that is professional and respectful of the entire campus. And, as such, attire should not include references that could be deemed as hateful or offensive to members of our diverse community, nor should they bear references to violence, drugs, or alcohol. Private and individual conversations will be had with students as necessary, but we are glad students have the freedom to express themselves in their classroom and beyond.

Families seeking additional guidance on the Upper School dress code may find these standards helpful:

Pants

- Students are encouraged to wear traditionally tailored, solid-colored pants
- Jeans that have a professional appearance are permitted, and as such, they should be without rips or distressing
- While shorts are permitted, they should be no higher than three inches above the knee

Skirts

- Students may wear skirts as long as they are no higher than three inches above the knee

Dresses

- Students may wear dresses that are professional and modest in style
- Dresses must be no higher than three inches above the knee

Shirts

- Students are encouraged to wear traditional dress shirts, tops, or polo shirts
- Shirts must be long enough as to not expose the midriff

Shoes

- Students may wear flat or low-heeled shoes (not to exceed two inches), dress shoes, loafers, sneakers, or boots
- Flip-flops and open-back sandals are not permitted



Physical Education

Grade 9 and 10 students should wear or change into Physical Education-appropriate clothes on days when they have PE. This attire is permitted all days when on campus, but must be followed on days when the student has Physical Education. This includes:

- **A complete change of athletic clothing must be worn, including:**
 - Red or navy short/long-sleeve t-shirt — NO crest required
 - Navy joggers, mesh shorts, or leggings
 - Socks and sneakers
 - Always be prepared for the weather, as we will utilize our outside facilities as much as possible
 - No form-fitting spandex, short shorts, or tank tops will be permitted. No school clothes should be worn over or under physical education clothes, which includes tights
- Sneakers are a must for participation and must be supportive in nature rather than stylish. Sneakers must have laces and an athletic sole to be appropriate for physical education classes. To be considered a sneaker suitable for physical education, the structure of the shoe must provide ankle support and have a rubber sole with traction. Designer sneakers, slip-on sneakers, Converse, etc. are not suitable.
- Classes may be held outdoors when weather permits. Be prepared daily with a light jacket, sweatshirt, and/or sweatpants.
- No jewelry of any kind should ever be worn during class since it can pose a safety hazard. Additionally, long hair must be pulled back.

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