

## Dress Code

Aurora Borealis School expects students and personnel to have high standards of conduct, appropriate dress, and appearance. A student's dress and general appearance should not be of such extremes that it draws undue attention to the student, nor should appearance distract or interfere with the learning and teaching in the classroom.

- Positive habits of cleanliness and neatness should be exhibited.
- Visible tattoos; body piercing other than ears by females, or unnatural hair colors are not permitted.
- Safety standards require that shoes be worn at all times.
- No head coverings will be worn indoors other than with a medical exemption.
- Coats and jackets may not be worn inside.

Children should come to school dressed appropriately for the weather. In the winter and during rainy periods students should wear boots, warm coats, gloves, hats, and rain gear as necessary. All students are required to go to outside recess, weather permitting. It is the responsibility of the parent and to student to see that appropriate clothing is provided.

### Everyday Uniform

**Tops:** Polo style, turtleneck or mock turtleneck, or dress shirt; long or short sleeves. Sweatshirts; pullover or cardigan sweaters; or vests. **Colors:** navy blue, light blue, red, or white in solid colors. School purchased sweatshirts or shirts are appropriate.

**Bottoms:** Dockers/Chino style trousers (ankle length pants, no patch pockets); skorts, shorts, capris, or skirts of modest length (1" below your arm reach). **Colors:** navy blue or khaki.

**Footwear:** Any casual shoe including tennis shoes. No heels higher than one inch. No platforms, sandals, open-backed or open-toed shoes. Shoes must be neat in appearance. No rubber boots or outside winter boots are to be worn as inside shoes.

**Socks/stockings/leggings:** Socks or tights need to be a solid red, white, blue, or khaki if worn with skorts, capris, a skirt or jumper. Leggings may be worn with socks, forming an unbroken line of uniform color.

### P.E. Clothing

**All Grades:** Non-marking tennis shoes

**Jr. High must change out for gym:** Plain navy shorts of modest length or navy sweats. Solid white T-shirt.

### Parent Volunteers

Parent volunteers are requested to dress appropriately.

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**Sweaters, vests, sweatshirts:** Pullover sweaters, cardigan sweaters (button or zipper), or vests in red, white, or blue solid colors may be worn over a uniform top. There can be knit or fleece (cotton, wool, or synthetic). Sweaters should cover the uniform top in torso and sleeve length; vests should cover the uniform top in torso length. School logos only.



**Pants/shorts/skirts/skorts/jumpers:** Dockers/chino style trousers or modest length (near knee) shorts, skirts, skorts, or jumpers in solid navy or khaki. No outside (patch) pockets. If the seams of a pocket are accessible on the outside, the pants are NOT uniform.

**Socks/Stocking:** Leggings or footless tights are permitted. Leggings must meet sock line AND match the color of sock. Socks and tights must be solid uniform color: blue, khaki, white, or red.

**Footwear:** Dress or casual shoes, including tennis shoes, are allowed. No heels higher than one inch. No boots, platforms, sandals, open backed, or open toed shoes. Shoes must be neat in appearance. No rubber or winter boots are to be worn as inside shoes.

**PE Clothing:** All students must have non-marking tennis shoes for PE. Junior high students change out for PE into plain navy shorts of modest length or navy sweats and a solid white t-shirt.



Welcome to Aurora Borealis Charter School! We are excited to have you here and look forward to getting to know your child (ren).

We'd like to address the school dress code prior to your shopping. Student clothing needs to follow the school's visual examples found on the other side of this page.

According to the Academic Policy Committee (APC),

"The spirit of this dress code policy is to promote uniformity of dress among students. When deciding whether or not your child should wear any particular clothing item to school, consider if your student's clothing causes him/her to stand out from others. If so, it is likely the clothing is outside of the policy's intent, and your child should not wear the item(s) to school."

1. The basic top, be it a polo, turtleneck, mock turtleneck, dress shirt, or blouse, must be like those pictured on the poster. The allowed colors are red, *the pure shades of blue*, and white. Please note there are no embellishments, empire waists, ties, gathers, lace, etc., on the poster shirts.
2. Tops need to be modest and buttoned appropriately for modesty.
3. Any undershirts or camisoles must not be visible at the waist or sleeves. If visible at the neck, they *must* be white. Camisoles visible at the neck must be plain white, *with no visible lace*.
4. Pullover sweaters, cardigan sweaters, or vests in red, white, or blue may be worn inside over a collared uniform shirt. Similarly, hooded or crewneck sweatshirts, purchased through the school and with the school logo, may be worn inside over a collared uniform shirt.
5. Pants, knee-length shorts, or capris are to be "Docker" style—*this means both the style and fabric*. Form-fitting stretch fabric pants are not allowed. Another issue is the "outside" pocket, which is not allowed. An outside pocket is sewn to the pant from the outside. Bottoms are to be khaki or navy blue.
6. Underwear must not show. If your child's pants tend to slip down, make sure he/she wears a belt.
7. For girls, skirts, skorts, jumpers, or polo dresses are to be of modest knee-length. As students grow during the year, what might have been modest length in the fall might not be appropriate in the spring. Like the pants, skirts, skorts, or jumpers are to be khaki or navy blue. Polo dresses are to be true blue, red, or khaki.
8. Socks or tights are to be white, navy, red, or khaki, unless your child is wearing pants. *Leggings and footless tights are permitted as long as the sock color matches the leggings and there is not a break between the legging and sock line.*
9. Shoes are to be dress or casual and include tennis shoes. No heels higher than one inch are allowed. No boots, platforms, sandals, open-backed, or open-toed shoes are to be worn. Shoes must be neat in appearance and not distract from student learning.
10. PE clothing for junior high is a plain white t-shirt or ABCS sports team shirt (ie, X-country/basketball) and plain navy or black shorts, of modest length or sweatpants. For PE, grades K-6 need only *athletic* shoes which are to be left at school and worn only at gym time.

Common infractions:

"Outside pockets"



"Jogger style pants"

