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Regulation #5511.2 Regulation Mandating School Uniforms in Vineland Public Schools

The following standards of dress have been endorsed by Vineland Public Schools central administration and Board of Education for Preschool through grade 12.

1. Slacks and Pants
Color: Khaki or black in a solid, single color
Style: Slacks and pants can be pleated or flat front, full length, appropriately fastened and must fit appropriately at the waist. Belts are optional and they must be black or brown.
Material: Cotton, canvas, corduroy, linen, polyester, or twill.
2. Skirts and Jumpers
Color: Khaki or black, in a solid, single color. Style: Skirts must be, at least, mid-thigh in length.
Material: Cotton, canvas, corduroy, linen, polyester, or twill.
3. Shorts and Capri's
Color: Khaki or black, in a solid, single color Style: Shorts must be at least mid-thigh in length.
Material: Cotton, canvas, corduroy, linen, polyester, or twill.
4. Tops
Color: White, black or red collared polo shirts (or gray at VHS only) in a solid, single color.
Style: Long or short sleeve polo shirts with a collar are required. (Sleeveless collared shirts will be acceptable during warmer weather-September and June.) Shirts and blouses must have collars. All polo shirts may be worn tucked inside pants or on the outside, as long as they are fitted appropriately.
Undershirts: White, black or red collared polo shirts (or gray at VHS only) undershirts or tank tops may be worn under appropriate tops.
5. Cardigans and Sweaters
Color: White, black or red collared polo shirts (or gray at VHS only) in a solid, single color.
Style: All must have a visible collared polo shirt underneath.
Logo: Vineland Public School logos are permitted and are not limited in size.
6. Footwear
Style: Athletic shoes, loafers, boots, dress shoes, or other closed toed shoes.
7. Other Acceptable Attire
Appropriate Vineland athletic attire (jerseys/uniforms) may be worn at VHS only. Collared polo shirts purchased in the school store may be worn every day.
School and club/activity polo shirts may be worn every day for Middle and High School.
Board approved nationally recognized youth organization attire, such as Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, will be acceptable forms of attire on the days of scheduled meetings by the organizations.
JROTC polo shirts are acceptable attire on the days when the cadets are not in their JROTC uniform.
**Physical Education classes will follow the present requirements for appropriate attire.
8. Hooded sweaters or hooded sweat shirts may only be worn with school logo and hoods must be down at all times.

Inappropriate Attire and Grooming:

1. No jeans, low cut pants, low rise pants, sagging slacks or pants, sweat pants, jean shorts, or tights.
2. No oversized shirts or collarless shirts.
3. Hats, caps, bandanas, hair rollers, hair curlers, plastic hair bags, hair nets, sweat bands, skull caps, and other similar clothing or grooming items shall not be worn at school.

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**For enforcement purposes, headwear worn as legitimate religious attire (as determined by the Board of Education) may be considered as an exception.

4. Logos: No manufacturers' logos are permitted on attire that is larger than an inch and a half in measurement. Insignia on outerwear not related to the school or to the District is permitted, including professional sports teams, and college insignia. However, any offensive or gang related outerwear is prohibited. Outerwear (coats, hats, and gloves) must be stored in lockers upon entering the building. When lockers are not available students must store their outerwear on the back of their chair or in their book bag once they enter the classroom. No outerwear is to be worn in the classroom.
5. Students may not wear clothing that is either revealing or provocative. No sheer shirts are permitted.
6. Students are prohibited from wearing attire that may be considered weapons, such as chain belts, wallet chains, or other similar attire.
7. All apparel must be clean and not ragged, ripped, frayed or contain holes.

**Whether or not a student is dressed appropriately or properly groomed shall be left to the discretion of the principal or their designee.

**Student complaints regarding appropriate attire and grooming for religious and/or philosophical reasons shall follow the pupil grievance procedures outlined in Vineland Public Schools Policy and Procedures.

Dress Code Violations and Consequences:

First Offense:	Verbal Warning/Written Warning
Second Offense:	1 day Lunch/Administrative Detention and Parent Contact
Third Offense:	2 days Lunch/Administrative Detention and Parent Contact

Failure to attend detention may result in further disciplinary actions based on the code of conduct

Process for Parent and Student Financial Support

If financial support is needed, the following procedures will be followed:

1. Submit a written request to the school for assistance.
2. School Affective Team will confirm the need for assistance. (Free and reduced lunch status is only one factor that should be considered along with additional hardship factors that can be documented by the parents and the school.)
3. After the Affective Team confirmation of need, the written request from the parent will be given to the principal for final approval.
4. If approved, a copy of the Uniform Assistance Request form will be provided to the parent. They will then take the request to the store of their choice and identify the items they would like to have the district purchase. Parents must identify the item number, the size, and the color for each item requested. Each parent should be encouraged to have their child try on the items in the store. There will be no returns or reordering of items that do not fit.
5. The parent will then return the completed Uniform Assistance Request form to the school principal and a purchase order will be generated by the school.

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6. When the items arrive, the school will contact the parent to come in and pick up their order at the school.
7. A copy of the written request and the Uniform Assistance Request form will be forwarded to the Office of the Assistant Business Administrator.

*The Vineland Public School District will advertise the uniform colors for local businesses.

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