

# CHESAPEAKE SCIENCE POINT PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

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#### CHESAPEAKE SCIENCE POINT MANDATORY UNIFORM POLICY 2022-2023

Chesapeake Lighthouse Foundation believes strongly in the value of our students wearing uniforms to school for several reasons. Wearing a uniform saves time and reduces stress by eliminating decisions about what to wear each day. It has also been shown that uniforms help reduce distractions in school so students can better focus, increasing academic performance. Uniforms also help reduce peer pressure where clothing is concerned. Chesapeake Lighthouse Foundation has carefully selected the style of uniforms for all its schools.

Students and families are expected to abide to not only the letter of the Dress Code but by the spirit of the Dress Code as well.

Students are expected to wear the CSP uniform at all times and to dress and groom themselves to reflect cleanliness and safety. All students should dress appropriately so as not to disrupt or interfere with the educational program or the orderly operation of the school. The principal or other authorized school official shall determine whether any particular use of the school uniform is in violation of the spirit and/or the intent of this school uniform policy. Students and parents are expected to honor the uniform code so that valuable instructional time is not spent examining student attire to determine appropriateness. Students are not permitted to change out of their uniforms during or after school unless participating in an after-school activity that requires non-uniform clothing. The uniform policy is in effect from the time students walk into the building to the end of the day when after-school programs are over. Exemplary appearance should be the norm for all students.

Chesapeake Science Point has the right to make changes on the uniform policy, at any time. Parents and students will be notified if any changes are made in this policy.

# **ORDER INFORMATION**

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website: flynnohara.com/school/md029

#### **DAILY UNIFORM**

#### SHOES

**Shoe Options for MS:** Dress shoes or sneakers, predominantly black.

**Shoe Options for HS:** Dress shoes or sneakers, predominantly black. Tan, dark brown or black Sperry-style boat shoes or dirty bucks are also acceptable. Solid black Crocs are permitted for high school students only. The Crocs must be free of any Jibbitz charms and all decorations.

- Shoes must be closed-toed dress shoes, athletic shoes, or boots only, and predominantly black in color. Pants must not be tucked inside shoes nor rolled up above shoes. All shoes should remain under the pants leg.
- 2. Slippers or thin-soled shoes, sandals, flip-flops, open-toed shoes, high heel shoes and shoes with wheels are not permitted.
- 3. For safety purposes, shoes must be worn at all times and shoelaces must be tied properly, and all buckles must be fastened. Nothing may dangle or drag from shoes.

#### PANTS OR SHORTS FOR MALES

- 1. Pants or shorts must be khaki (all), navy blue (all) or black (high school only) in color. Material must be 100% cotton or a cotton/polyester blend that is wrinkle resistant. There should be no holes, rips or tears in the pants. Jeans and any denim materials are not allowed.
- 2. Athletic shorts are not permitted, except in PE.

#### BERMUDA SHORTS / CAPRI PANTS / PANTS FOR FEMALES

- Bermuda shorts, capris and pants must be khaki, navy blue or black (high school only), and must be worn with a solid black belt. Denim material is not allowed no matter the color. Material must be 100% cotton or a cotton/polyester blend that is wrinkle resistant. There should be no holes, rips, or tears. Jeans are not allowed. Leggings and Jeggins are NOT ALLOWED.
- 2. Pants, jeans, pajama bottoms, leggings or other apparel may **NOT** be worn under the Bermuda shorts, capris or pants. Athletic shorts are not permitted.
- 3. All shorts, capris and pants must be worn properly at the waist and not sag below the top of the hips. They must not fit too snuggly and may not be rolled up or folded up. Students may not wear the top of their pants, capris, or shorts below their buttocks. Shorts must be knee length. Shorts may be worn **ONLY** during summer dates; from the first day of school through Oct. 31, and from April 1 through the last day of school.

#### **SKORTS**

- 1. Skorts must be khaki, navy blue or black (high school only). Skorts must be knee length.
- 2. Knee-high socks or tights are allowed. ONLY solid white or solid black are permitted.

#### **TOP OPTIONS**

An embroidered CSP logo is required for all top options. The logo should be embroidered on the left upper side of the top apparel.

- 1. The shirt must be jade or black in color (high school) or navy or burgundy (middle school). Polo shirts can be either short sleeve or long sleeve. If the student chooses to wear a shirt underneath their polo, the shirt must be solid white or black in color (including the neck rim). If only short sleeved polo shirts are purchased, the student may wear a long sleeve shirt underneath. The long-sleeved shirt underneath must be 100% white or black with no designs or patterns of any kind. The polo shirt must be worn at all times. The sweatshirt, fleece, and windbreaker options DO NOT REPLACE the polo. They are options to wear in addition to the polo.
- 2. Sweatshirts are optional and must have the CSP logo. The sweatshirt must be black in color (high school) or navy (middle school). No sweatshirts with hoods are permitted.
- 3. The polo fleece is an optional item and is black in color (high school) or navy (middle school). The embroidered school logo is required. Parents also have the option of having their child's name embroidered on the opposite side of the logo (this is a great help when students misplace their fleece jackets).
- 4. Fleece-lined windbreakers and nylon track jackets are optional items. The windbreaker and track jacket are black and white in color (high school) or navy and white (middle school).
- 5. Jackets or windbreakers with a hood may not be worn in the building. Items with a hood must remain in lockers at all times.

# DRESS SHIRTS AND TIES (MALES AND FEMALES)

Oxford dress shirts and ties are the required uniform on certain days throughout the school year (Science and Engineering Fair, Picture Day, all field trips, and when we have visitors, etc). Bottoms and shoes remain the same as normal uniform days.

#### DRESS SHIRT

- 1. Must be solid white in color. It can be short-sleeve or long-sleeve.
- 2. Must have the required embroidered CSP logo.
- 3. Must have all buttons (including wrist buttons on long-sleeve shirts) in place and buttoned at all times.

- 4. ONLY solid 100% white shirts are permitted to be worn underneath the Oxford shirt and must be short sleeve if the Oxford shirt is short sleeve.
- Oxford shirts must remain tucked in at all times.

#### **TIES**

FEMALES - Must be a solid burgundy criss-cross tie. Must be properly positioned, and buttons to shirt must be fastened. We will continue to allow students to wear the teal blue tie if they are wearing the Oxford that matches.

MALES - Must be solid burgundy. Boys tie can be clip-on or the standard slip-knot tie. Ties must be properly positioned, and shirt buttons must be fastened. We will continue to allow students to wear the teal blue tie if they are wearing the Oxford shirt that matches.

#### **ACCESSORIES**

- Belts must be solid black. Grommets or excessive ornamentation on the belt are not permitted. Belts are to be worn properly with all pants, capris and shorts. Belts must go through all the belt loops and be properly fastened or buckled. The end of the belt must not be allowed to hang down (it must go through the loop if there is excess). The belt must also be tightened enough to prohibit the student's pants, shorts, Bermuda shorts, or capris from sagging below the hips.
- Socks, stockings, tights, or hose may only be in solid white, black, or opaque for high school. Fishnet or other patterned or bright-colored stockings or hose are not permitted. Stockings, tights, or hose must cover the full length of the student's legs and feet. Leg warmers are not permitted.
- 3. Permissible Jewelry
  - Earrings must be no larger than the size of a quarter in diameter and no longer than one inch in length.
  - Necklaces may not be more than 16 inches in length.
  - Jewelry should not be worn in excess
  - None of the said items may pose a safety hazard, cause a distraction or represent weapons, contraband, racism, bullying, or harassment of any kind.
- 4. Purses/book-bags
- Purses must be no larger than 5 inches by 7 inches in size.
- Book-bags must remain in lockers at all times.

#### PHYSICAL EDUCATION UNIFORM FOR HIGH SCHOOL

The PE uniform must be worn during the student's assigned physical education class and only during this time. Students will change into their PE uniform before PE class and will change back into their regular school uniform after PE class. The entire gym uniform must be worn as stated below.

#### **PE Uniform Middle School**

Students only wear PE uniforms during PE class. The required uniform is a solid white tshirt with the CSP logo, navy blue shorts or sweatpants with the CSP logo, gym shoes and solid white socks.

## **PE Uniform High School**

Students only wear PE uniforms during PE class. The required uniform is a solid gray t-shirt, navy blue or black shorts or sweatpants, gym shoes and solid white socks.

#### ALL

### **GYM SHOES**

Sneakers can be any color but if they are not uniform sneakers, they can be worn only during PE. Sneakers must be fully laced through all eyelets and tied. Socks must be solid white.

#### MISCELLANEOUS GUIDELINES

- 1. Clothing should be neat and clean.
- 2. Clothing may not be worn inside-out or backwards. Undergarments must not be exposed.
- 3. All shirts worn underneath a required uniform shirt must be solid (100%) white or black and be clean and stain-free.
- 4. Hair, face and body paint are not permitted.
- 5. Cosmetics and/or make-up should be age-appropriate, appropriate for school, and should not attract undue attention.
- 6. Clothing with rips, tears, holes or frayed edges is not permitted.
- 7. Jewelry and accessories should be appropriate for school and not attract undue attention nor pose a safety risk.
- 8. Extreme hairstyles are not permitted (examples: Mohawk cuts, hair coloring other than standard frosting or natural highlighting) and should not attract undue attention.
- 9. Hats, caps, curlers, headscarves, bandanas, durags, hair picks, combs, sweatbands, chains, sunglasses, tennis skirts or skirts/dresses above the knee, gloves, arm/leg warmers, and coats are not permitted to be worn during school hours.
- 10. Headwraps for religious or cultural purposes are permitted.

#### **NON-UNIFORM DAYS**

- Clothing that is excessively revealing, such as short mini-skirts, short-length shorts, tank-tops, loosely fitting, low-cut blouses or halter tops, mesh shirts, or shirts exposing the midriff are not to be worn to school at any time. Sleeveless shirts are not allowed. Clothes should not have tears, frays nor loose material hanging from them.
- 2. All clothing, notably t-shirts and sweatshirts, must be in good taste (no suggestive wording or illustrations or advertisements for items which are illegal for students, i.e. alcohol and tobacco products, etc.
- 3. Skirts, shorts, dresses, and skorts worn on dress down days must be knee length or have leggings underneath.
- 4. The bottom two buttons on the polo shirts must be buttoned at all times.

All uniform tops must have the CSP logo embroidered on the upper left side.

Should a student's uniform not comply with the uniform dress code, they will be considered in violation. Students who violate the uniform code will be allowed to call home for an appropriate change of clothing after obtaining administrator approval.

# Mandatory School Uniform Policy Disciplinary Procedures 2022-2023

Violations of the uniform policy (dress code) will be documented and signed by the student and result as follows:

- A. **FIRST VIOLATION** Verbal warning to student.
  - B. **SECOND VIOLATION** Student is assigned to lunch detention.
  - C. **THIRD VIOLATION** Student is assigned to lunch detention and parent is contacted.
  - D. FOURTH AND SUBSEQUENT VIOLATIONS Administration will administer a disciplinary consequence in accordance with AACPS Code of Student Conduct in the following order: 1. Parent Contact 2. Parent will bring appropriate dress code item to school, 3. Student assigned to administrative detention 4. Parent Conference 5. Saturday Detention. Continued and subsequent violations may result in **out of school suspension**. The severity of the infraction and the student's willingness to cooperate with school officials and adhere to the standards of the dress code will be factored into disciplinary consequence.
- 2. Violations of this dress code shall be treated as disruptive behavior in violation of the AACPS Code of Student Conduct. However, dress-code violations shall not carry over on the student's disciplinary record to subsequent years. This dress code shall apply to all students at all times when they attend school or any school related or sponsored event.
- 3. Students who violate the uniform policy multiple times may be banned from having certain clothing options included in this uniform policy. Example: A student who does not follow the policy on the length of skirts multiple times may not be allowed to have skirts anymore until the end of that academic year, or may not be allowed to participate in Dress Down Days.