



## Student Dress Code

**2023-2024**

Heights Elementary prides itself on the appearance of the facility as well as the students and staff. The responsibility for the personal appearance of the student rests with the parent/guardian and the student. Personal appearance shall not detract from the educational process. The following establishes the minimum acceptable standards for student dress to interpreted and endorsed by the Principal or designee.

***Students are required to wear closed-toe sneakers or tennis shoes on a daily basis. No other footwear is permitted. Shoes shall be secure on the student's feet and worn at all times. Croc style shoes are not permitted as well.***

### **Students may wear:**

- Any pants or jeans, fastened at the waist when needed.
- Any shirt except see-through, open-sided, or those that advertise drugs, tobacco, alcohol, or have any profanity, obscenity, graphic violence, or gang insignia.
- Any long shorts (below the fingertips with the arms held at the sides).
- Girls may wear skirts & dresses that are an appropriate length (below the fingertips with the arms held at the sides).
- Closed-toe shoes with back ankles straps, tennis/running shoes.

### **Students should refrain from wearing:**

- Oversized apparel, including baggy pants, overalls with unfastened straps and pant legs worn below the shoe NOTE: Florida Statute requires schools to adopt dress codes barring clothes that "expose underwear or body parts in an indecent or vulgar manner."
- Tank tops, halter tops, low necklines, sun dresses, bare midriff, strapless tops, pajamas.
- High heels, platforms, flip flops, slides, croc style shoes, slippers.
- Body paint and/or body writing, sunglasses, hair paint/gel, unnatural/dyed hair color, extreme hairdo that is disruptive to class.
- Intentionally altered or ripped clothing,
- Apparel such as hats, hair nets, excessive/large jewelry, fake fingernails
- Any form of make-up
- Apparel, emblems, insignias, badges, or symbols that promote the use of alcohol, drugs, tobacco, or any other illegal activity or that discriminates against race, color, ethnicity, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, or religion.

*This list is meant as an example and is not intended to be all inclusive. According to Florida State Statute, the principal has sole discretion over what is or is not appropriate attire for school functions. Any items of clothing that are deemed as interfering with the educational process will be dealt with in accordance with procedures set in the Student Code of Conduct. The school administration shall have the right to appraise any current fashion or fad and determine whether it is appropriate for school wear.*