

Tarpon Fundamental Dress Code

FAQ'S



Are collared shirts required to have a logo or school emblem?	No. The shirts may have a small logo that indicates the clothing manufacturer or brand, but it is not required. The PTA may choose to sell some collared shirts with the school’s emblem or logo which would also be permissible. Any logo that is not a TSFES logo may not be any larger than 2 inches in diameter.
What outer garments can be worn inside the classroom when the weather is cold?	The school’s dress code states that coats, jackets, sweaters and other outer garments are acceptable when appropriate due to weather conditions. These items do not replace the requirement for a collared shirt or TSFES sponsored t-shirt but may be worn over any compliant top. All sweatshirts and jackets must land at the hip and must be shorter than bottom of skirt, dresses or shirts. All sweatshirts and jackets must be a solid color (may have a logo no larger than 2 inches in diameter) with no kangaroo or connecting pocket in the front. Administrators, teachers, and staff will continue to have significant discretion to decide whether or not particular outer garments need to be worn inside the buildings.
What is meant by “uniform style” or “plain” when describing shorts, skirts, skorts, jumpers, pants and jeans?	Generally, both terms are used to describe clothing bottoms that are free of embellishments and are not baggy or overly casual in appearance. In the case of shorts and pants, “uniform style” options usually have interior pockets in the back. Plain jeans will not have any additional embroidery or designs except for the stitching typical on the rear, exterior pockets. Pants must not be jegging style, not stretchy or form-fitting. Many vendors sell bottoms appropriate for school uniforms and the descriptions and pictures available in those company’s catalogs or on their web sites can help guide parents’ purchasing decisions.
What footwear is allowed under the TSFES dress code guidelines?	<p>The PCS Code of Student Conduct states that safe and appropriate footwear must be worn and lists roller skates, skate shoes and bedroom slippers as examples of inappropriate choices. The enhanced requirements of the TSFES policy require shoes appropriate for physical activity with a closed toe and heel plus a rubber sole.</p> <p>Parents should assess whether their children can effectively participate in activities like recess and recess when making footwear purchases with the understanding that the administration, physical education teachers and staff will continue to determine whether particular shoes are appropriate for physical activity. Although some limitations on the type and style of socks students could wear were considered by the SAC and presented as part of the proposed dress code changes, no requirements were adopted when the new policy was approved.</p>