

## DRESSING FOR SUCCESS

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The PCS dress code is posted on the district web page and in the ***Student Code of Conduct***.

The dress code policy states:

- Clothing must cover all undergarments
- Clothing must cover mid-riff
- See-through, revealing, or mesh garments must not be worn without appropriate coverage underneath that meets the minimum requirements of this dress code
- Shirts should have sleeves which cover the shoulder and arm pit area.
- Clothing must cover the body from one armpit across to the other armpit and down to mid-thigh. Rips, holes, or tears must be below mid-thigh. (\*Tech High does not permit dresses or skirts)
- Form fitting leotard/spandex type clothing is not allowed unless proper outer garments cover to mid-thigh length or longer.
- Clothing must not contain messages about topics such as drugs, gangs, weapons, or messages/images of hate toward any group.
- No pajamas or sleepwear and no costumes.

(For the complete list of the dress code policy, please see the PCS ***Student Code of Conduct***, <https://www.pcsb.org/dresscode>).

This code also permits the school's principal to add to these requirements. Here are the requirements in addition to the PCS policy per program:

## PROFESSIONAL DRESS

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Richard O. Jacobson Technical High School has implemented a professional dress code requirement for each program based on industry standards and safety.

- All students are prohibited from wearing skirts or dresses.
- Shoes must be closed-toed. No flip-flops, slides, or bedroom slippers.
- All students are prohibited from wearing pants or shorts with holes, rips or distressed fabric above mid-thigh.
- Hats may be worn outdoors. If any staff member directs a student to remove their hat inside the classroom or building the student will be expected to comply.
- Hoodies may be worn, but if any staff member directs a student to take their hood down the student will be expected to comply.

Students are expected to meet program-required dress code for the ENTIRE school day, not just during their program class. If a student is out of dress code, they will be expected to turn in their phone to the front office so they can borrow appropriate clothing to meet dress code expectations for the day. Their phone will be returned to them at the end of the day when they return the borrowed article(s) of clothing.

## BUILDING & ELECTRICAL

For safety, these programs require:

- Dark blue/Navy blue collared polos worn daily

- Closed-toed shoes. Students may wear sneakers or work boots, but not Crocs or steel-toed boots.
- Long pants with belt loops made of denim or twill. No elastic waistbands or synthetic fabrics due to safety concerns.
- Pants should not have rips, holes, or tears due to safety issues.
- **No shorts are permitted.**
- One REQUIRED program logo polo to be worn for events. These shirts may be purchased through our school store which is open several times during the year.
- Walmart sells a five-pack of Navy polo shirts ([Click Here](#))

## MARINE MECHANICS

For safety, this program requires:

- Black collared polos or black Dickies-style “shop” shirts worn daily.
- Closed-toed shoes. Students in this program may not wear flip-flops or slides.
- Shorts or pants must have belt loops. Shorts must go past mid-thigh. .
- One REQUIRED program logo shirt to be worn for events which may be purchased through our school store which is open several times per year.
- Walmart sells a five-pack of Black polo shirts ([Click Here](#))



## GAME SIM & DIGITAL ART

- This program requires black, white, grey or royal blue collared polo shirts worn daily.
- Shorts or pants must have belt loops. Shorts must go past mid-thigh.
- Closed-toed shoes. Crocs are permitted. No slides or flip-flop type shoes.
- One REQUIRED program logo shirt to be worn for events which may be purchased through our school store which is open several times per year.



## NURSING & VETERINARY PROGRAMS

Students in Nursing and Veterinary Science programs will be required to wear:

- Scrub tops and bottoms five (5) days a week. A good source for scrub attire is Uniform Advantage which has a Buttersoft line that resists wrinkles and is very comfortable.
- Closed-toed shoes. Crocs are permitted.
- Scrub tops in various (school-appropriate) designs.

These programs require the purchase of one set of our Tech High School scrub set which will be worn at clinicals and program events.

Our vendor for embroidered scrubs is **Scrubin**. You can order online at:

<https://rojtech.scrubin.com/home.cfm>

Access Code: TECHHS727

(888) 988-0028

customerservice@scrubin.com



Students in the Veterinary Program are recommended to purchase a pair of boots or galoshes that can withstand mud, water and animal waste. You should look for something that goes over the ankle area. We

recommend an inexpensive boot that can be hosed off and put into a locker. Write your name on or in your boots. The Veterinary Program is the only program with storage lockers for students.

## FINANCIAL NEEDS

Please communicate to the school if you need financial assistance with clothing or school supplies. We have a budget to assist families in need with these items. The request form is online under our Parent Resources page. Completed request forms can be submitted in the front office or scanned and emailed to the principal for approval.



We are fortunate to have a great non-profit in Pinellas County which helps with one week's school clothes for school-aged children. Clothes for Kids has two locations in Pinellas County – one in Clearwater and one in St. Petersburg. (Click here) to be directed to our web page with locations and contact numbers. I believe this program requires a copy of the free/reduced lunch form to verify financial need. For assistance with a copy of your free or reduced meals letter, contact Susie Zufall - [zufalls@pcsb.org](mailto:zufalls@pcsb.org) or 727-547-7151

## DRESS CODE VIOLATIONS

If a student is out of dress code, they will be expected to turn in their phone to the front office so they can borrow appropriate clothing to meet dress code expectations for the day. Their phone will be returned to them at the end of the day when they return the borrowed article(s) of clothing. We normally send an email to parents informing them of the violation. Repeat offenses may be referred to our administration.

## APPEARANCE

For everyone's comfort, please maintain consistent hygiene routines which include showering daily, washing hair regularly, brushing teeth and putting on deodorant EVERY day before school, as well as wearing clean clothes (jackets and hoodies that are worn frequently should be washed at least once a week).

Some of our staff and students are "scent-sensitive" so we ask that students refrain from wearing heavy scents like perfumes and colognes and students should not apply aerosol sprays (AXE or other body sprays of any kind) at school. When sprayed in a confined space, they can cause some people to experience breathing issues or even an asthma attack.

Tech High School does not permit extreme makeup. Students wearing extreme makeup may be requested to remove the makeup and wash their face before attending class.

Young women should consider having an emergency bag in your backpack which contains feminine hygiene products. We have emergency feminine products available in the clinic if necessary.

We are here to help. There is a bookcase in the front office with donations of deodorants, shampoos, toothbrushes, and other personal hygiene products. There are also donated school supplies available for students in need.

*If you look good  
and you smell good -  
you will feel good!*