

**Somerset County Board of Education**  
**Policy Guidelines**  
**Policy # 600-12**

**School Uniform Information:**

Somerset County Public School Board of Education **will continue with** mandatory school uniforms for all schools. All students are required to dress in uniforms daily unless it is a designated casual or dress for success day. **Note:** See policy #600-12 for additional requirements

**Bottoms**

Navy blue, black or khaki pants, capris, walking shorts, jumpers, skirts or shorts (**No Jeans**)

- Jumpers, skirts, skorts, shorts (4 inch inseam) must be respectable and modest in length
- Clothing items must be worn at the natural waist (above the hip)
- A belt must be worn if the clothing item has belt loops. Belts may not be accessorized, have adornments or have decorative belt buckles
- All bottoms should be appropriate size so there is not stretching or gapping of the material. Bottoms should not be tight to the skin or baggy
- Clothing items must not be cargo style, have multiple zippers or pockets, or have adornments
- Lounge wear or pajamas are NOT permitted

**Leg Wear**

- Solid uniform color socks, tights, or pantyhose may be worn under appropriate outer garments
- Leggings are NOT permitted

**Tops**

Solid white, burgundy, yellow, black or blue (may be navy or light blue) - long sleeve or short sleeve oxford or polo shirts

- All shirts must have a collar and must be tucked in or worn at mid hip. During normal routine activities like raising an arm or bending over, no skin should be visible between the waistband and the bottom of the shirt
- Solid designated uniform color **long sleeve shirts are permitted under the appropriate collared shirt**
- Crewneck, Cardigan, V-neck sweaters or fleece pullovers in **uniform colors** may be worn with the appropriate collared shirt underneath
- Hooded apparel **is not** permitted
- All tops should be the appropriate size so as not to cause stretching or gapping of the material. Tops should not be tight to the skin or baggy
- Sleeveless shirts, t-shirts, or tank tops are **NOT permitted**
- Store or brand logos or signs are **NOT** permitted to be visible on clothing

## Shoes

- Shoes must be worn at all times and must be appropriate for the student's activity—such as tennis shoes for Physical Education and shoes that are safe for running and climbing on the playground
- Slippers and flip flops are NOT permitted

## Topics of Discussion

- **Hats, head coverings, visors, scarves or sunglasses are NOT to be worn in the building unless for religious or medical reasons.** Parents need to provide documentation of the reason to the office.
- Students must remove and store all outerwear in the place designated by their teacher when they enter the building

## School Pictures

School pictures are taken twice a year. Students will have the opportunity to dress casually at least once. Principals will notify parents in advance. For class pictures all students will wear their uniforms.

## After School Activities

- Students who attend activities directly after school should continue to wear the clothing that was worn during the school day
- When students return to school in the evening their parents may choose whether they return in the apparel they wore to school that day or if they wear casual clothes. If casual clothes are worn they must meet the casual day clothing dress code that is outlined in the student handbook.
- Some activities, such as concerts, may specify a different type of clothing.

## Physical Education Classes

- Athletic shoes or tennis shoes are required
- Skirts or jumpers should NOT be worn unless shorts are underneath
- Students will wear the clothing for class that they wore to school that day (elementary only); Middle and High school students are required to change their clothing for PE class.

## Casual Days

Casual days will be held **at least once a month at the discretion of the Principal**. All students are to follow the dress code policy as outlined in policy #600-12. **Parents would be notified in advance of additional days or changes.**

## **Student Dress for Success Days**

**Students** will be permitted to dress for job, college, military and school/community events in the appropriate attire with the approval of the Principal and/or designee.

### ***Places you can purchase uniforms:***

JC Penney  
[www.jcpenney.com](http://www.jcpenney.com)

Rainbow  
University Plaza, Newark, DE 19702  
302-369-5639  
[www.rainbowshops.com](http://www.rainbowshops.com)

Sears  
[www.sears.com](http://www.sears.com)

Wal-Mart  
[www.walmart.com](http://www.walmart.com)

Target  
[www.target.com](http://www.target.com)

French Toast  
Martinsville, VA 24122  
800-373-6248/800-636-3104  
[www.frenchtoast.com](http://www.frenchtoast.com)

The Children's Wear Outlet  
[www.thechildrenswearoutlet.com](http://www.thechildrenswearoutlet.com)

Uniform Unlimited  
118 South Blvd, Salisbury, MD  
410-546-2303

Roses & Kmart Department Stores  
Family Dollar/Dollar General

Lands' End  
[www.landsend.com](http://www.landsend.com)

**Please contact your child's school if you have any questions or concerns, these guidelines in no way are intended to prevent a student from attending school.**