

Rationale

The goal of the **Unified Dress Code Policy** at Westpine Middle School is to create an environment that is conducive to learning. Our School Advisory Council (SAC) adopted this policy with the intent that Westpine Middle School students be dressed and groomed in an appropriate manner that will not interfere with, or distract from, the school environment, or disrupt the educational process. *Uniforms are typically less expensive than clothing students normally wear to school.* Clothing should be suitable, comfortable and safe for normal school activities and reflect pride.



Waiver Information

Parents/Guardians may request exemptions for their child from participation in the mandatory **Unified Dress Code Policy**.

An application for exemption can be obtained from the school office. It must be completed and submitted to the grade level Assistant Principal within the first ten (10) school days of a student's initial attendance each school year.

Where to Shop

School spirit tees, hoodies, and gear may be purchased in the Administration Office or online at estore.browardschools.com.

You may also visit any of the following stores:

- Walmart
- Target
- Kmart
- Old Navy
- JCPenney/ JCPenney Outlet
- Macy's
- Dillard's
- The Limited
- The Children's Place
- The Gap/ The Gap Outlet
- Various thrift shops and second-hand stores
- Any store with appropriate children's clothing

The Unified Dress Code Policy goes into effect on the first day of the School Year. All students are expected to adhere to the Westpine Middle School Unified Dress Code Policy.

Westpine Middle School
HOME OF THE PANTHERS

UNIFIED DRESS CODE POLICY GUIDELINES



***“Unified in dress,
together in spirit!”***

CHRISTOPHER D. JOHNSON, PRINCIPAL

JENNIFER ADAMS, 6TH GRADE AP

JOSHUA WEBER, 7TH GRADE AP

KIM SHOWERS, 8TH GRADE AP



Guidelines

Students must adhere to the following guidelines in school and at school-sponsored events. Items of clothing not specifically covered in the list below can be prohibited at the discretion of the administration. Students in violation of the **Unified Dress Code Policy** will be required to change into clothing that meets the guidelines listed below. Failure to do so may result in disciplinary action.

Shirts

- **Burgundy, White, Gray, Black, or Blue** solid color collared polo-style shirt
- An approved Westpine club t-shirt
- An approved Westpine school spirit tee
- Under shirts and layered shirts must all be **Burgundy, White, Gray, Black, or Blue.**

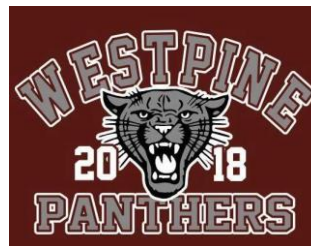
Pants/Shorts/Skirts

- **Khaki, Navy, or Black** solid color cotton twill
- **Denim jeans** are acceptable
- Shorts and skirts must be mid-thigh length and secured at the waist

Shoes

- Broward County Public Schools rules apply

Approved Clothing Items



Inappropriate Items or Clothing

- Ripped clothing or pants/jeans with holes above the knee (exposes upper thigh)
- Tights or leggings (must be worn with an overblouse)
- Sweat pants, jogging attire, basketball shorts
- Low-hanging or unbuckled pants (must be secured at waist)
- Cutoff, midriff, or crop tops
- Long oversized coats or jackets
- Shirts, tops unbuttoned below the chest
- Tight fitting pants, tops, muscle shirts or tank tops
- Head coverings, such as hats and hoodies, without prior approval
- Inappropriate/offensive slogans, logos, items, or markings
- Bedroom slippers or unsupportive footwear
- Any item or attire not in accordance with the Dress Code Policy of Broward County Public Schools

