HOLDEMAN SCHOOL

MANDATORY SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY FOR STUDENTS
Effective August, 2011

Holdeman Students are Dressed for Learning

The Holdeman dress code was established to help increase a sense of pride in learning. We want each child to reach his or her potential in an environment that is safe and free from learning distractions. We want learning to be the focus for our children. We look forward to the positive impact school uniforms will have on the academic environment and the safety of our school.

All students in Kindergarten through 5th grades are expected to abide by the mandatory uniform dress code as designated below. It is the parents' and the students' responsibility to ensure compliance with the dress code.

Mandatory Uniform Dress Code Items

BOYS: White, navy blue, light blue or red shirts with a collar, long or short sleeves and no visible logos. Solid navy blue, black or khaki slacks/pants or shorts (no more than 4 inches above the knee). Baggy or oversized clothing (more than **1 size** larger than the student's clothing size) is **NOT** acceptable. **NO DENIM ALLOWED**.
****Holdeman spirit shirts can be worn on Fridays only.**

GIRLS: White, navy blue, light blue or red tops/blouses with a collar, long or short sleeves and no visible logos. Solid navy blue, black or khaki slacks/pants, jumpers, skirts, capri's, shorts or skorts (no more than 4 inches above the knee). Baggy or oversized clothing (more than **1 size** larger than the student's clothing size) is **NOT** acceptable. **NO DENIM ALLOWED.**
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Other items

BELTS: Belts, if worn, must be navy, black or brown and may not be more than 1 size larger than the student's waist and looped through belt loops. They must be worn at the waist and no lower than the student's navel.
SHOES/SOCKS: For safety reasons, students should wear sturdy "closed toed" shoes. Sandals with back straps, can be worn, however **NO FLIPFLOPS**. **SOCKS** must be worn (except with sandals) and be solid in color and matching. Styles may include ankle, mid-calf, knee socks or tights.
SWEATERS/CARDIGANS/SWEATSHIRTS/JACKETS: These must be solid navy blue, black, khaki or white. No Logos. **JACKETS** of any color may be worn; however, they must be removed in the classroom/building.

Additional Requirements

Students are not permitted to wear hats in the building (exception: medical reasons). Shirts and Blouses/Tops must be tucked in at all times. No undergarments may show, and girls are encouraged to wear dark colored shorts under their skirts. In addition to the Holdeman Mandatory School Uniform Dress Code, any and all student dress requirements already enforced or enacted by the Tempe School District #3 must also be observed.

Vendors

Uniforms may be purchased at any clothing store, including thrift or resale clothing stores. Stores such as K-Mart, Wal-Mart, Target, J C Penney, Old Navy and others, including on-line vendors carry uniforms for purchase.

Newly enrolled students, who don't come in uniform, will be provided with a loaner uniform for the day. The student will have 5 days to comply with the uniform policy.

ENFORCING THE SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY:

- Staff will notify the office if students are not in compliance with the uniform policy.
- Parents of students in violation of the policy will be notified.

Procedures if a student does not comply with the uniform policy:

First Incident:
Extra clothing will be available from the nurse. The student will change into clothes from the nurse's office. The student will change back to his or her own clothes at the end of the day.

Second Incident:
Same as first incident plus loss of recess.

Third Incident:
Same as the first/second incident plus a conference with the parent will be scheduled and subject to further disciplinary action.

POTENTIAL BENEFITS OF SCHOOL UNIFORMS:

- Instill students with discipline, pride and school spirit
- Help school staff recognize intruders on campus
- Help prevent inappropriate or gang related clothing and insignia
- Eliminate the competition among students related to clothing
- Help students concentrate on school work
- Financial savings due to cost of uniforms versus other school clothes
- Increase safety within the neighborhood