BISHOP HEELAN HIGH SCHOOL
A LIFETIME ADVANTAGE

# Bishop Heelan High School Dress Code

The purpose of the Heelan dress code is to create and promote an environment of academic professionalism. Items which may be appropriate for different settings (i.e., social settings outside of the school day) may not be considered in dress code.

Any student whose dress appears to circumvent the spirit and intent of the dress code is not in compliance. The Dean will determine issues of interpretation. Students are not allowed to wear ripped, tattered, torn, cut, dirty clothes or clothes that do not cover the torso. In all cases, Bishop Heelan High School administration reserves the right to determine what constitutes proper dress code in the spirit of its intent and in accordance with good taste and modest contemporary standards for a Catholic high school.

## Dress Code Student Responsibility

The acceptability of a student's appearance is reserved to the judgment of the faculty/staff and the administration. Students found to be in violation of the dress code will be issued a demerit or detention.

## Uniform Shirt

- Short or long sleeved, with a collar
- Solid white or dark navy blue
- Plain except for Heelan crest or logo less than the size of a 50-cent piece, i.e., the American Eagle logo
- Always tucked in
- Turtlenecks may be worn under a shirt and must be white or dark navy blue.
- All undergarments must not be visible through the overshirt and must be either white or dark navy blue if they extend past the sleeves.






## Sweaters/Sweater Vests/Heelan Sweatshirt/Pullover

- Solid color buttoned cardigans, vests, crew or V-neck sweaters, sweatshirts, fleeced ¼ zip pullover are allowed.
- Solid white, gray, or dark navy blue
- Only Bishop Heelan crest or appropriate emblem or name is allowed.
- Uniform collared shirt/turtleneck must be worn underneath.
- Sweaters must be worn properly.
- Outerwear associated with activities or sports are out of uniform.
- Hoodies, full-zip jackets, windbreakers, and pouch pockets are out of uniform.






## Slacks/Pants

- Dress pants or slack style pants - clean and neat in appearance without holes, frays, or other decoration
- Solid khaki or dark navy blue in color
- Solid, unadorned black or brown leather or canvas belt is required if belt loops are present.
- Distracting belt buckles are not allowed (excessive in size or contain an image or message that goes against the spirit of the Bishop Heelan mission statement)
- Must be worn at the waist.
- Pant leg must reach the top of the shoe but not drag on the ground.
- Snaps, zippers, or rivets on pockets are not allowed. Cargo pants, joggers (elastic on cuff), or patch pockets on pants are not allowed.



## Skirts/Shorts/Capris

- Uniforms by Tommy Hilfiger (Global Schoolwear) plaid skirts, solid navy or khaki walking shorts and solid navy or khaki capris may be worn year-round.
- Skirts must be worn at the waist, not rolled, or altered in any way.
- Skirt and short length must be 2 inches above the knee, or lower, and the hem must be parallel with the floor.
- Any staff member who believes a student's skirt/shorts are too short, will notify the student of the violation. Any student with 3 skirt/short violations for the year will lose the privilege for the remainder of the year.
- Students will be sent home to change when in violation and time missed will be unexcused.



## Neckties/Blazers

- Predominantly solid white, navy blue, black or gray in color. Distracting colors or patterns are not allowed.
- Must be worn with all footwear and visible above the shoe.
- Tights may be worn under a skirt and must be plain navy blue, black, or gray with no pattern (including patterns due to construction design).

## Socks

- Predominantly solid white, navy blue, black or gray in color. Distracting colors or patterns are not allowed.
- Must be worn with all footwear and visible above the shoe.
- Tights may be worn under a skirt and must be plain navy blue, black, or gray with no pattern (including patterns due to construction design).

## Shoes
- Dress shoes, dress boots, dress sandals, leather tennis shoes, or mules are allowed
- Solid black, gray, or brown tone in color. All other colors are not allowed.
- Must be clean, neat, and unadorned- no visible fur or faux fur.
- Slippers, moccasins, and canvas shoes are not in dress code.

## Grooming
- Hairstyles must be neat and uniform. Streaks of unnatural color or otherwise distracting cuts or styles are not allowed.
- Male students' hair must be above the eyebrows, above the shirt collar while standing, and may touch, but not cover the ear. Female's bangs must not fall in their eyes.
- Using hair products or styling implements to circumvent these guidelines is not permitted. i.e. gel to keep hair above the eyebrows.
- Male students must be clean-shaven, and sideburns may not be below the ear lobe, nor excessive in width.
- Face paint, glitter, sparkles are not allowed.
- Hairstyles and grooming for extra-curricular events must meet these expectations for a student to represent Bishop Heelan. This includes but is not limited to athletic competitions, concerts, plays, or any other event whereby our students will be representing the school.
- Teachers and/or administration may ask students to become compliant with grooming at any time.
- Bizarre and unkempt appearance is not allowed.

## Body Piercing and Tattoos
- Two earrings per ear are allowed. Clear or flesh-colored plugs may be used to conceal additional piercings, including nose rings.
- Other body piercings must be kept out of sight. Spikes and gages are not allowed.
- Tattoos must not be visible at school and are strongly discouraged in extra-curricular activities.
- The coach/moderator may require all tattoos to be covered. Any tattoo deemed inappropriate will always be covered.

## Miscellaneous/Accessories
Non-school related buttons or pins are prohibited. Additional jewelry/hair accessories must be modest and professional in appearance (with Bishop Heelan administration having final discretion).

## Physical Education Attire
- Students must have their physical education attire to earn full participation points.
- Students must wear navy blue Heelan gym shorts, and a navy blue Heelan T-shirt, socks, and tennis shoes.
- Uniforms items may be purchased in the main office.

## Activity Day Attire Activity Day Attire
- Each school activity will be allowed to designate 1 dress-up day per regular season and 1 in post-season.
- Team will wear approved jersey or team shirt with uniform bottoms.
- Approved team attire that is uniform compliant can be worn at any time.
- The Dean of Students must approve the activity dress day prior to the designated date.
- All eligible team members are expected to participate.

## Jeans Day Attire
- One day allowed per year, per activity.
- Clean blue jeans without holes or tears. No denim shorts, sweats or warm-ups allowed.
- Uniform dress bottoms are allowed if jeans day requirement (payment) is met.
- Heelan shirts or sweatshirts with or without collars.
- Clean shoes or closed-toed sandals worn with socks.
- Any student who has not contributed for the day's requirement, and is not in full uniform, will be given the opportunity to contribute and meet dress code, or receive a detention.
- Students who choose not to participate, must wear full uniform dress.

## Special Dress Day Attire
- During homecoming and other special occasions, we may allow special dress days.
- Clothing worn on these days must still meet dress code requirements for length and may not be form fitting.
- Tank-style tops must have an overshirt and may not have scooping or otherwise revealing neck lines.
- If in doubt, ask beforehand.
- If attire is not school appropriate, the student will be asked to return home to change. Any class time missed while changing will be unexcused.
- No "form fitting" items (i.e., leggings and/or yoga pants/shorts) allowed at any time.