

# UPHOLDING THE DRESS CODE @ SOUTH POPLAR

One of our school's tenets is that we have a dress code. The dress code has been established to:

- ★ Help develop a strong school focus and team spirit
- ★ Give students a sense of belonging to our school
- ★ Discourage competition based on clothing

Last summer, we updated our dress code by adding a few items (ie. the light blue polo, navy crested polo dress and the Wildcat T), and providing clarification around other items (ie. tights must be solid BLACK, GREY, NAVY, or WHITE). We have allowed several months for families to learn about , and to understand the expectations.

Starting in April, we will be supporting this tenet and expectation in more intentional ways. (This means that staff will be working together to help tighten up the expectations on following our dress code.)

- Reminder notes will be sent home in planners, along with a paper copy of our "Detailed Dress Code Requirements"
- Infractions will also be documented & shared with the office
- Multiple infractions will be addressed by administration

Our students are proud to wear their South Poplar crest and to clearly show that they are a Wildcat. Let's work together to bring better "uniformity" to our dress code.

Some of the most common infractions that we see:

INFRACTION (DOES NOT MEET DRESS CODE REQUIREMENTS)	EXPECTATION (WHAT STUDENTS SHOULD BE WEARING INSTEAD)
Wearing hoodies or non-crested sweaters inside of the school/classroom.	These <b>can</b> be worn outside (similar to wearing a jacket), but they are not to be worn inside.  Inside, students can wear any of our crested items (sweatshirt, V-neck sweater, or cardigan)
Wearing patterned tights under skirts.	All tights/leggings worn under skirts must be SOLID black, grey, navy, or white.
Pants that do NOT match the dress code <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Wearing jogging pants</li> <li>▪ Wearing leggings/tights as pants</li> </ul>	<b>ALL</b> pants & shorts must have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Front &amp; back pockets (real or faux)</li> <li>★ Zipper/fly (real or faux)</li> </ul> <b>ONLY EXCEPTION:</b> "Navy Rugby Pants" (available through Able Cresting)
Clothing that has been unofficially crested (somewhere other than Able Cresting) that does not fit our dress code (ie. a white crested polo)	

Please take some time, over Spring Break, to carefully review the attached copy of the "Detailed Dress Code Requirements" to ensure that all of your child's uniform items meet the expectations.



# SOUTH POPLAR TRADITIONAL SCHOOL

## Detailed Dress Code Requirements

### DRESS CODE RESPONSIBILITY

Our dress code is supported by the parents and staff at South Poplar. It has been established for the following reasons:

- ★ To help develop a strong school focus and team spirit
- ★ To give students a sense of belonging to our school
- ★ To discourage competition based on clothing

### UNIFORMS CAN BE PURCHASED AT:



Able Cresting  
30997 Peardonville Road  
Abbotsford, BC  
604-864-9728

[www.ablecresting.com](http://www.ablecresting.com)

### DRESS CODE REQUIREMENTS

Uniform clothing must be clean (no stains) and in good condition (no rips or holes). The approved uniform items are identified below.

### SHIRTS, SWEATSHIRTS, SWEATERS & VESTS

#### ALL OF THE ITEMS BELOW **MUST HAVE OUR SCHOOL CREST**

*\*Purchase at Able Cresting\**

#### THE ITEMS BELOW **DO NOT REQUIRE OUR SCHOOL CREST**



Navy Blue Golf/Polo Shirt  
(Long or Short Sleeves)



Light Blue Golf/Polo Shirt  
(Short Sleeves)



White Golf/Polo Shirt  
(Long or Short Sleeves)



Navy Crewneck Sweatshirt



Navy V-Neck Sweater



White Dress Shirt/Blouse  
(Long or Short Sleeves)



Navy Cardigan



Navy Vest  
(Fleece or Sweater Vest)



White Turtleneck / Mock Turtleneck  
(Long Sleeves)

**\*NOTE:** These are the only sweaters/sweatshirts approved for wear **DURING CLASS TIME.**  
(Jackets, hoodies & non-uniform sweatshirts are only to be worn during outside recess times.)

## DRESSES, JUMPERS, SKIRTS & SKORTS



Navy Polo Dress  
**\*MUST BE CRESTED\***  
 (Purchase at Able)



Navy Jumper



Navy Skirt/Skort

## TIGHTS WORN UNDER SKIRTS

\*Must be BLACK, GREY, NAVY or WHITE  
 \*Solid colours only. (No patterns or sparkles.)



## PANTS & SHORTS

**ALL** PANTS & SHORTS BELOW MUST HAVE:

- ★ Front & back pockets (real or faux)
- ★ Zipper/fly (real or faux)

**\*THE ONLY EXCEPTION\***

- \*Elastic waist\*
- \*No pockets or fly\*



Navy Cargo Pants



Navy Ponte Pants



Navy Khaki Pants



Navy Uniform Shorts  
 \*Also called: Bermuda Shorts or Walking Shorts



Navy Rugby Pants



## WILDCAT T-SHIRT

Every WEDNESDAY, students are invited to wear their Wildcat T.  
 This approved uniform item is **ONLY TO BE WORN ON WEDNESDAYS.**

## DRESS CODE EXCLUSIONS

*\*Items not in our dress code\**

- ⊗ Sweatpants
- ⊗ Track pants
- ⊗ Capri pants
- ⊗ Leggings (worn as pants)
- ⊗ Spandex material
- ⊗ Fleece material
- ⊗ Denim material
- ⊗ Knit material
- ⊗ Ornamentation (ie. ribbon, badges, decals, logos, decorative buttons, decorative zippers, excessive pleating, lace)

## THE PANTS BELOW ARE NOT PART OF THE DRESS CODE:



TRACK PANTS



LEGGINGS



JOGGING PANTS

\*None of these pants meet the uniform dress code criteria.  
**\*All pants must have front & back pockets.** Only exception is the boy's rugby pants available through Able Cresting.

\*Please note that Able Cresting is the only approved distributor of our crested uniform apparel and the only way to guarantee that your purchases meet our uniform requirements. Purchasing crested items from any other business could put you at risk of buying something outside of what has been approved.