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# STANDARDS OF DRESS & APPEARANCE

While at school, student dress will be governed by the school uniform program. Students are to be neatly and appropriately dressed for all school-sponsored activities. Students violating the dress code at school or other activities may, at the discretion of the administration, be asked to leave campus until their appearance meets school standards. Parents and guests of students are encouraged to honor the standards of modest dress exemplified by the school dress code (skirts or dresses for ladies, long pants or slacks for men) while participating in school activities or attending school functions.

All uniform purchases must be made from our supplier, Read's Uniforms. The uniform options for our school will be available in the school office, as well as at Read's Uniforms.

Read's Uniforms is located at:

1774 N. Center Street  
Hickory, NC 28601

Phone: (828) 441-2255

Fax: (828)324-0445

Website: [www.ReadsUniforms.net](http://www.ReadsUniforms.net)

## YOUNG MEN

- All students must wear the school uniform each day.
- Haircuts are to be traditional and masculine in nature. The hair may not rest on the collar or cover any portion of the ear. Hair must fall at least 1 inch above the eyebrow. Sideburns may not extend below the middle of the ear or be cut above the top of the ear. Hair coloring is not permitted. Facial hair is not allowed.
- Effeminate or excessive jewelry is not allowed.
- No earring holes or tattoos are allowed.
- Brown or black casual or dress shoes are to be worn. No sandals or flip-flops will be permitted. Boys in preschool through 6th grade may wear athletic shoes.
- Appropriate socks must be worn.
- Brown or black leather belts must be worn.
- All shirts are to be tucked in.

## PRESCHOOL

Preschool students are not required to wear the school uniform, but we do ask that parents follow these guidelines:

- Please avoid clothing that is faddish, of questionable taste, or that promotes questionable products, people, places, ideas, words, etc.
- Long shorts or pants are permitted.

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# STANDARDS OF DRESS & APPEARANCE CONTINUED

## YOUNG LADIES

- All students must wear the school uniform each day.
- The length of a skirt or dress should be no shorter than the middle of the kneecap when the student is standing.
- Proper, age-appropriate undergarments must be worn at all times.
- Brown or black casual or dress shoes are to be worn. No sandals, flip-flops, or backless shoes will be permitted. Girls in preschool through 6th grade may wear athletic shoes.
- White knee socks, white ankle socks, or nude-colored, conventional hosiery may be worn. Girls in preschool through 6th grade may wear appropriate socks or tights but may not wear sheer hosiery.
- All shirts are to be tucked in.
- Make-up may be worn conservatively in grades 7-12. Make-up may not be used by elementary girls, with the exception of clear lip gloss and nail polish. Nail polish must be traditional in color.
- Jewelry must be conservative in both quantity and style.
- Hairstyles must be conservative and consistent with a traditionally feminine appearance. Hair must be tied back or otherwise held off the face. Hair accessories must coordinate with the uniform program.
- Since fads change continually, the administration reserves the right to address the appropriateness of such trends as they arise.

## PRESCHOOL

Preschool students are not required to wear the school uniform, but we do ask that parents follow these guidelines:

- Please avoid clothing that is faddish, of questionable taste, or that promotes questionable products, people, places, ideas, words, etc.
- No spaghetti strap or midriff tops—tops must be touching the top of skirt or shorts when arms are up.
- For your child's safety, flip flops or slide-type shoes should not be worn.
- Long shorts are permitted. Slacks are permitted. Dresses and skirts should be of modest length. Shorts may be worn underneath skirts or dresses.