Elementary DRESS CODE

Ridgeview Global Studies Academy has a mandatory dress code for all elementary students. There are many positive reasons for a school dress code, including:

- A dress code encourages students to express their individuality through personality characteristics and academic achievements, not outward appearances.
- A dress code puts the focus on academics, not fashion, because students project a neat, serious, businesslike image.
- Schools with dress codes have fewer discipline problems because students aren't distracted.
- Dress codes can reduce expenses for families.
- Dress codes eliminate the visible differences between needy and wealthy children.
- Dress codes eliminate pressure to wear brand-name clothing, "gang colors," etc.
- Dress codes create a sense of school pride and belonging.

Bottoms: Navy, Black, Khaki/Tan

- Shorts, pants, skorts, skirts, or skirted jumpers
- Must be **plain**, solid-colored twill, corduroy, or denim fabric
- Traditional blue jean color is OK for denim
 - shorts/skirts must be mid-thigh or longer

The Dress Code does *not* allow for clothing with colored trim, stripes, embroidery, tears, holes, fraying, decoration, etc. It also does *not* provide for overalls (overalls with pants or shorts), sweat pants, knit pants/skirts

<u> Tops: White, Navy, or Hunter Green</u>

- Must have long or short sleeves
- Knit polo-type or woven dress shirts, blouses, turtlenecks
- Shirts that are not RGSA logo t-shirts need to have a collar. RGSA logo shirts are available in the office for purchase.

- shoes must be safe, appropriate, and have enclosed heels or a heel strap (flip flops, slides, and sandals without heel straps may not be worn)
- clothes must be appropriate size, with waist of garment worn at students' waist
- clothing that is too tight or loose is not appropriate for school

Other Dress Code Rules:

• Sweatshirts, jackets, and other outerwear must be school colors (white, navy, or hunter green)

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS WILL DETERMINE IF CLOTHING IS APPROPRIATE FOR SCHOOL AND COMPLIES WITH RGSA RULES.



