

THOMAS EDISON DRESS CODE

Students are expected to dress and groom themselves in a neat, modest, and attractive fashion reflecting pride in themselves and in their school. The dress code is established to help ensure an atmosphere conducive to study and prevent drawing attention to self. Pride in student dress and grooming is an observable difference at Thomas Edison Charter School. It is the responsibility of parents and children to ensure compliance with the dress code. If there are any questions, keep it simple and err on the conservative side.

All clothing should fit properly and be in good repair. All students must wear closed toe shoes. Neither denim/jeans nor athletic wear (sweats or athletic shorts) are allowed. No logos, designs, lettering, etc. of any kind are allowed, except approved Thomas Edison Charter School logos.

- ❖ The official school shirt has a collar, short or long sleeves, and is long enough to remain tucked in. Shirts will be any solid color. *Shirts will be one of three styles: polo, oxford, or turtleneck.*
- ❖ Pants, capris, or knee length shorts will be a solid color in khaki, navy or black. Skirts, skorts, or jumpers may also be approved school plaid. Khaki is defined as the appropriate shade of brown, tan, or green. Examples of approved school plaid are Green Plaid from French Toast Clothing Company or Hunter Classic Navy Plaid from Land's End Clothing Company. Leggings, tights, and "knee high" socks worn with skirts, jumpers, or shorts must be solid color. *Pants and shorts will be one of three styles: slacks, cargo, or Docker (the style, not brand).*
- ❖ Outerwear worn in the building over a dress code shirt for warmth, such as a sweater, cardigan, or vest, must fit all dress code standards except a collar. Appropriate non dress code outerwear may be worn outside the building.

Occasional exceptions, consistent with the intent of the dress code for special events (such as Boy or Girl Scout uniforms), may be approved by the principal. The principal will interpret and resolve all issues regarding the dress code.

APPROVED CLOTHING STYLES



Polo



Oxford (button down)



Turtleneck



Slacks



Cargo



Docker Style

ADMINISTRATIVE INTERPRETATIONS

- ❖ No additional décor on the clothing, such as beads and sequins, even if the same color as the solid color clothing.
- ❖ No excessive and/or non-essential accessories (multiple ear rings, scarves, etc.)
- ❖ Knee length, solid color polo dresses are permitted.
- ❖ Skirts and shorts are to be **at least** knee length. Leggings may **not** be used as a substitute for proper length.
- ❖ Clothing must not be form fitting.
- ❖ No jeggings, skinny pants or joggers.
- ❖ Denim or jean, or their likeness, are not dress code.
- ❖ No hair styles or modified colors that draw attention to self, such as mohawks, fauxhawks, steppes or shaved designs.
- ❖ One solid color layer underneath a dress code shirt for modesty or warmth is acceptable.
- ❖ Gray pants are acceptable.
- ❖ Optional dress up days for special circumstances may be approved in advance. For such occasions, the standard will always be higher with the traditional dress code modesty standards continuing to apply.
- ❖ Check with the principal ahead of time if there are any questions.

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The following is the Thomas Edison Charter School dress code standards. Please make sure your student is following all dress code guidelines. If your student is not in dress code, a notice of dress code violation will be sent home, and/or your student may be sent to the front office to call parents to bring appropriate dress code items. The dress code is established to help ensure an atmosphere conducive to study and prevent drawing attention to self. It is the responsibility of the parents and students to follow the Thomas Edison Charter School dress code standards.

Shirts

Style- *Polo, oxford, or turtleneck shirts. Short or long sleeve. All shirts must have a collar (turtlenecks are approved). No logos, designs, or lettering, except approved T.E.C.S. logo. Clothing must not be form fitting.*

Color- *Any solid color is okay. One solid-colored layer under dress code shirt for warmth and modesty are acceptable.*

Length- *Must be long enough to stay tucked in.*

Pants & Shorts

Style- *Slacks, cargo, or docker style pants and shorts. No denim, jeans, or their likeness. No jeggings, sweats, athletic wear, skinny pants, or joggers. Clothing must not be form fitting.*

Color- *Navy, khaki, black, or gray. Must be solid color.*

Length- *Long pants, capris, or knee-length shorts.*

Dresses & Skirts

Style- *Dresses with collar, polo style dress, jumper, skirts, or skorts.*

Color- *Dresses- Any solid color. – Skirts- Navy, khaki, black, or gray. Must be solid color, or approved school plaid. Example of approved school plaid are, Green Plaid from French Toast Clothing Company or Hunter Classic Navy Plaid from Land's End Clothing Co.*

Length- *Must be knee length. Leggings may not be used as a substitute for proper length.*

Shoes, Socks, Tights & Leggings

Style- *Shoes- Closed toe shoes only. Shoes must cover the whole foot for safety. Crocs are not an approved style shoe.*

Socks- ankle socks, knee high socks, tights, and leggings with no logos.

Color- *Socks, tights, leggings must be solid color.*

Length- *N/A*

Sweaters, Hoodies, Jackets, Outerwear, and Coats (worn in building for warmth)

Style- *Sweater, hoodies, cardigan, or vest (worn in building for warmth) No logos, designs, or lettering, except approved T.E.C.S. logo.*

Color- *Any solid color*

Length- *N/A*

Appropriate non dress code outerwear and coats may be worn outside the building.

P.E./ Athletic Wear

Style- *Appropriate & modest tee shirts, hoodies, sweats, athletic leggings, and athletic wear can be worn for P.E. only. No tank tops- all shirts must have sleeves.*

Color- *Any color is approved*

Length- *Shorts need to be knee length*

Best Dress Standards for special events (Dances, Science & History Fairs, etc...)

Style- *Modesty standards continue to apply. Dress code or better. Shoulders must be covered (no "straps") No jeans*

Color- *Solids, prints, or designs are approved*

Length- *Must be knee length.*

Hair- *No Hairstyle or modified colors that draw attention to self, such as mohawks, fauxhawks, steps, or shaved designs.*

Misc.- *No additional décor, beading, or sequins on clothes.*

No excessive/non-essential accessories (multiple earrings, scarves, light up shoes, etc.)

No extremes of fashions or trends. Check with principal for any questions on dress code standards.

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Boy Scout & Girl Scout uniform may be approved by the principal.

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Thank you for helping us maintain our dress code standards. Your cooperation is appreciated.

**For more information on TECS dress code, see the Parent Handbook.*