

2017-2018 YDMS Dress Code

YOUREE DRIVE MIDDLE AP MAGNET UNIFORM POLICY

The students at Youree Drive Middle School are an exceptional group of young people and consistently perform above and beyond the norm. We believe that serious application to the task of learning requires an attentive student whose full effort is directed toward high standards of achievement. To meet dress code requirements, YDMS students must present themselves in the approved uniform:

TOPS: White or navy polo-style knit shirts (short or long sleeve); white oxford button-down shirts (short or long sleeve). Plain white t-shirt or white turtleneck may be worn underneath these shirts. White middy blouses with plaid ties may also be worn by girls. The white middy blouse may be worn untucked. **All other shirts must be tucked in and the belt must be visible at all times.** Logos on tops must not exceed 1x1 inch. Additionally, students may wear approved YDMS spirit shirts.

BOTTOMS: Khaki or navy pants, shorts, skorts or skirts (for girls). Approved blue plaid #134-57 pleated skirts for girls. Pants must be uniform style and school appropriate. Solid colored tights may be worn under shorts and skirts of appropriate length.

LENGTH: Skirts, skorts, and shorts must be no shorter than 4" above the top of the knee and no longer than the bottom of the knee. Pants must not drag the floor.

TIGHTNESS: Students must be able to pinch one inch on the side of all shorts, skirts, skorts, and pants. Excessively tight and stretch pants are not allowed.

BELTS: Students are required to wear a belt with bottoms that have belt loops. Belt loops are not to be removed from clothing. The belt must fit into all of the belt loops and remained buckled. No part of the belt may be left hanging. Oversized belt buckles are not allowed.

SHOES AND SOCKS: Students may choose the style and color of shoes and socks. They should coordinate with the uniform and not attract undue attention. Socks are required with all athletic shoes. Flip-flops, backless shoes, and house shoes are **not** acceptable; shoes must have heel support for safety reasons. Additionally, all shoes must be tied or fastened.

OUTERWEAR: Waist-length jackets and coats are acceptable at school. No trench coats or oversized coats will be allowed. If the jacket/coat is not an approved solid color (navy, gray, white, or black) or an approved YDMS jacket, it must be removed after arriving at school. Blankets may **not** be worn to school in place of a jacket or coat.

SWEATSHIRTS: Any plain navy, gray, white, or black sweater/sweatshirt/vest/hoodie is acceptable if worn over an approved school shirt. Sweatshirts and hoodies with the YDMS logo may be purchased from the PTSA. All other logos must not exceed 3x3 inches. No hoods may be worn in the building.

SCHOOL IDs: All students are required to wear a school ID each day. One school ID will be provided free of charge to each incoming student. Misplaced IDs may be replaced for \$5.00 in the library. Temporary IDs may be purchased for \$1.00 each morning in the auxiliary gym. All IDs, including temporary IDs, must be worn on the outside of the student's clothing and be visible at all times.

Uniforms must be worn to all school-sponsored activities (football games, basketball games, track meets, dances, etc.) unless otherwise approved and announced by the principal.

Spirit Groups (Pep Squad, Cheerleaders, Danceline) will be allowed to wear their uniforms on game days and other days approved by the principal.

All uniforms must be worn in the manner meant by the manufacturer. This means that there will be **no** ripping or cutting of hems, cuffs, sleeves, or bodies of the coordinates. Simple hemming of sleeve, slack, or skirt length may be made, but be aware of the growth factor. Due to the rapid growth of middle school children, clothing worn in the fall may not be acceptable in the spring.

Student clothing must be sized properly so that all lengths will be in compliance with the policy. No oversized or tight clothing will be allowed.

Hair should be clean and combed so as to permit full vision at all times. Headwear such as hair rollers, combs, brushes, sunglasses, bandannas, scarves, hoods, and caps are **prohibited**. No chains or other heavy jewelry will be allowed.

No mode of student appearance will be considered proper for school that detracts from or disrupts the classroom and/ or the school decorum. The principal (or designee) of the school shall make the final decision of what is considered proper or improper appearance.

Failure to comply with the YDMS dress code will result in an after school detention for each offense.