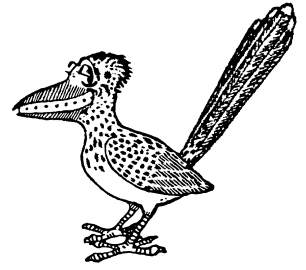


# Arredondo Elementary School Uniform Policy



The Arredondo dress code was established to help increase a sense of pride for academic and social responsibility. We want every student to reach his/her potential in an environment that is safe and free from learning distractions. Our goal is to ensure our students are successful academically and that they leave Arredondo School as responsible citizens.

We look forward to the positive impact school uniforms will have on the academic environment and the safety of our school.

## Potential Benefits of School Uniforms:

- Instill students with pride, discipline, and school spirit
- Help school staff recognize intruders on campus
- Help prevent gang related clothing insignia
- Eliminate the competition among students related to clothing
- Help students concentrate on schoolwork
- Financial savings due to cost of uniforms versus other school clothes
- Increase safety within the neighborhood



## Uniform Colors:

- Shirts: navy blue, white, black, light pink, light blue
- Bottoms: pants, walking shorts, skorts, skirts, jumpers: navy blue or khaki

## Shirts shall be worn as follows:

- Button down polo shirts/blouse with short or long sleeves and a plain collar
- Turtleneck or mock turtleneck
- Shirts must be tucked in.
- Navy blue, light pink, light blue, black or white sweatshirts, hoodies, pullover sweaters, or sweater vests may be worn while inside of the building.
- Shirts or sweatshirts must not have logos, decals or emblems.



## Bottoms shall be worn as follows:

- Slacks, walking shorts, jumpers, skorts
- Girl's skorts, jumpers, and skirts must measure no higher than 4 inches from the bottom of the knee. On P.E. days, navy or khaki shorts must be worn under a skirt or jumper.





### **Bottoms:** (cont'd)

- Boy's shorts may not be longer than 4 inches below the knee.
- No denim, jeans, sweatpants, hip hugger pants, low ride pants, carpenter, cargo, baggy, spandex or leggings may be worn.
- Belts, if worn, should be black or brown with no emblem, logo or decoration. Belts should be worn in the belt loops allowing pants to fit at the waist.
- Pants must not have logos, decals or emblems.

### **Socks/shoes shall be worn as follows:**

- Socks must be worn and must be solid white. Styles may include ankle, mid-calf, knee socks, or tights.
- Closed toed shoes, athletic sneakers, flat-heeled dress shoes may be worn. On P.E. days, athletic sneakers must be worn.
- No sandals or shoes with blinking lights may be worn.



### **Outerwear:**

- Jackets and coats are exempt from the uniform color requirements. Coats may not be tied around the waist (outside of recess time) or worn in the classrooms or in the building.

### **Other Dress Code Regulations:**

- Students and clothing must be clean and well groomed.
- In addition to the Arredondo Uniform Policy, any and all student dress requirements already outlined by Tempe School District No. 3 must be observed.
- Make-up is not allowed. Chap stick or clear lip-gloss may be used as needed for chapped lips.
- Hair accessories that do not distract from the educational process may be worn.
- Hats may not be worn.
- Students are not to wear art on their bodies or cannot write on their bodies with pens, markers, etc.
- No extreme hairstyles. No unnatural hair coloring is allowed. Mohawks must be no more than 2 inches long.



### **New Enrollees:**

- Students newly enrolled who don't come in uniform will be provided with a loaner uniform for the day. The student will have 5 days to comply with the uniform policy.



### **Enforcing the School Uniform Policy:**

Staff will notify the office if a student is not in compliance with the uniform policy.

**Enforcing the School Uniform Policy:** (cont'd)

Parents of students in violation of the policy will be notified.

The following procedures will be followed if a student does not comply with the uniform policy:

**1st Incident:** Extra clothing will be available from the nurse. The student will change into clothes from the nurse's office. The student will change back to his/her own clothes at the end of the day.

**2nd Incident:** Same as the first incident plus loss of recess.

**3rd Incident:** Same as the first/second incidents plus a conference with the parent will be scheduled.

**Uniform Exceptions:**

- The principal/designee will be responsible for the final decision on the appropriateness of grooming and apparel.
- On announced special days, the dress code may be modified by the administration.
- Arredondo students celebrate Roadrunner pride every Friday. Students may wear an Arredondo spirit shirt and jeans/uniform bottoms on Fridays. Students may also wear their school uniform on Fridays.

Students will be given the option to transfer to another school in the Tempe School District No. 3, which does not have a mandatory uniform dress policy. The school district will assure such students' admission to another school located within the district. Transportation will be the responsibility of the parent.

**District guidelines regarding student clothing:**

"If your school has uniforms, you must adhere to their guidelines. On special days (i.e.; holidays, spirit days) the dress code may be modified when permitted by the administration. Students will be allowed to wear protective outside clothing."