

# CANUTILLO MIDDLE SCHOOL

## UNIFORM/DRESS CODE POLICY 2023-2024

The district's dress code is established to teach grooming, hygiene, prevent disruption and minimize safety hazards. Students and parents may determine a student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided they comply with the following at Canutillo Middle School STEAM Academy.

Additionally, the use of a school dress code is established to improve student self-esteem, bridge socio-economic differences among students, and promote positive behavior, thereby enhancing school safety and improving the learning environment

### UNIFORM TOP

- T-shirt/polo with CMSSA STEAM logo in either **solid light blue, navy blue, royal blue, or orange.**
- T-shirts must be appropriate size to fit the body, cannot exceed 8 inches from the waist down, and skin cannot show when seated.
- Fridays: Approved school spirit shirt may be worn.
- Long-sleeve shirts may be worn under uniform T-shirt or polo but must be a solid school color or plain white with no writing or logos on the visible sleeves.
- Hoodies/pullover/crewneck sweatshirts if worn in building, must have STEAM logo and be of school colors only and must not contain any other designs, wording, or logos.
- Hoodies are allowed so long as they are school colors (light blue, navy blue, royal blue and orange) and are **ONLY** Canutillo ISD Hoodies.
- Any zippered jacket can be worn, if possible, we do prefer them to be in school colors (light blue, navy blue, royal blue, and orange). When in building, they must be unzipped.
- For safety reasons, it is expected that all sweaters, winter coats/jackets will remain unzipped/unbuttoned while inside any CMSSA building at all times to show the school shirt.

### RESTRICTIONS – TOPS

- No oversized T-shirts.
- No alterations are to be done to uniform shirts.
- No visible undergarments.
- No unbuttoned shirts may be worn over T-shirt as a jacket (ie: flannel shirts).
- Clothing may be layered – all clothing which shows must meet uniform color and style guidelines.

**FREE-DRESS DAYS:** No crop tops, no spaghetti straps, no strapless tops/dresses, no see-through shirts, no clothing that is either too tight or too revealing, no holes, tears, rips, patches, or frays in shirts or pants. Also, for safety reasons, during free dress or special event days, shoes with heels should not exceed 2-inches. On Free dress Days, all clothing must meet district guidelines as put forth here and in the Canutillo ISD District Dress Code.

Items worn that are out of uniform will be confiscated and turned in to the office. Parents will be notified by the student and/or front office if the student is out of dress code. Parents have the opportunity to bring them clothing that meets school dress code.

### UNIFORM BOTTOM

- Bottoms of shorts, skorts, and skirts cannot be higher than 3 inches above the knee.
- Bottoms of shorts/skorts must be free of any tears, holes, or shredded areas.
- Bottoms for pants can be: jeans, joggers, slacks, shorts, skorts & capris.

- Bottom can **only** be of the following colors: solid navy blue, dark blue, black & tan (khaki colored). **No camouflage.**
- Bottom shorts cannot be of any athletic style. They must be of denim or khaki material (**IE: Basketball shorts are ONLY for PE**).
- Belts need to fit around the waist and not hang loose. (No spike-studded belts or buckles with numbers, pictures, or symbols are allowed).
- Leggings can **only** be worn under a dress, shorts & skorts.
- No yoga pants/leggings or sweatpants.
- No holes, tears, rips or frays in jeans, pants, shorts or joggers.

## **RESTRICTIONS - BOTTOMS**

- No other color of denim besides blue & black, no other color than khaki for pants.
- No oversize, baggy, low-cut, wide leg, or skin-tight bottoms (IE: No showing your underwear – or shorts that are under your pants).
- Bottoms cannot have any designs, stripes, studs, jewels, embroidery, ripped or torn, etc.
- No overall pants, workman's pants, painter's wash pants, cargo pants with big pockets, cargo shorts with big pockets, carpenter's pants, camouflage colors, or acid washed jeans.
- Bottoms cannot have any holes, rips, or tears.
- No visible undergarments.

## **THE SCHOOL UNIFORM MUST BE WORN EVERY SCHOOL DAY, UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED.**

On designated special occasions, students are allowed to be out of uniform. However, all students must follow dress code guidelines when in “free-dress”.

## **ALL STUDENTS MUST WEAR THEIR SCHOOL ID ON A LANYARD AROUND NECK OR WITH A BADGE CLIP CLOSE TO THEIR NECK AS PART OF THE UNIFORM AT ALL TIME! ID'S ARE CONSIDERED TO BE PART OF A STUDENT'S SCHOOL UNIFORM! (This is a safety precaution)**

- First ID will be at no cost.
- ID's must be always maintained in good condition, no defacing with pictures, scratching out, stickers, etc.
- Any forgotten ID badges at home, lost, misplaced/replaced, etc. after the first one, will have a fee of \$5.00

## **PHYSICAL EDUCATION-P.E. UNIFORMS(CMS)**

- Plain Navy Shirt.
- Plain Navy/Black basketball shorts.
- Navy Shirt/Basketball shorts with **WHITE** school logo.
- Items cannot have pictures, logos, nor design.
- Past PE uniforms are still accepted.

## **DRESS CODE RESTRICTIONS:**

The following are **NOT** allowed to be worn:

- NO Tank tops, spaghetti straps, or strapless tops.
- NO Tops that show the stomach area (midriffs) and NO transparent/see-through tops.
- No fishnet stockings or gloves.
- NO Bandanas, caps, hats, beanies, etc. (only on approved days).
- NO Body piercing, facial piercing, or tongue piercing (ears are allowed).

- NO Slippers, house shoes, flip flops, crocs or athletic slides (all shoes must have hard soles).
- NO Clothing with inappropriate messages, sayings, or pictures on free dress days.
- NO Gang or drug affiliated articles of clothing.
- NO Spiked belts, jewelry and other accessories.
- NO Chains attached to wallets, keys, necklaces, etc.
- NO Rosaries or religious icons on necklaces to be worn outside of uniform t-shirt (gang affiliated issue).

**\*\*Non-compliance of uniform or dress code guidelines will result in disciplinary action. \*\***

1<sup>st</sup> Offense- sent to the office and contact parents to obtain a change of clothes- written warning

2<sup>nd</sup> Offense- sent to the office and contact parents to obtain a change of clothes- lunch detention/After School Detention

3<sup>rd</sup> Offense- sent to the office and contact parents to obtain a change of clothes- ISS placement

If it is determined that a student's grooming or clothing violates the school's dress code, the student will be given an opportunity to correct the problem at school. If not corrected, the student may be assigned to in-school suspension for the remainder of the day, until the problem is corrected, or until a parent or designee brings an acceptable change of clothing to the school. Repeated offenses may result in more serious disciplinary action in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct.