2022 - 2023 Dress Code

The purpose of a standardized dress code is to promote an environment that focuses on learning and safety. The required uniform for Brown Middle School is detailed below. In all matters of opinion, the judgment of teachers and administrators will prevail.

**Pants:** Khaki, Black or Navy, cotton twill ONLY; No knit pants, jeggings, leggings, or cargo pants.

**Shorts and Skirts:** Khaki, Black or Navy, cotton twill only; shorts and skirts may be no more than three inches above the knee; shorts and skirts must have a hem. No cargo shorts are allowed.

**Shirts:** Long or short sleeved shirts must be SOLID Purple, White, Black or Gray; Golf/ Polo style with collar; Also, any T-shirt or sweatshirt without a hood that is a school spirit shirt specifically promoting Brown Middle School or BMS authorized athletics, group or club may be worn with appropriate slacks, shorts or skirt.

**Outerwear:** Light-weight jackets, fleeces, sweaters and BMS sweatshirts without hoods, ONLY, are permitted inside the classroom; Outerwear must be Solid Purple, White, Black or Gray; **All students must wear approved BMS dress code under all outerwear.**

**Shoes:** Closed toed street shoes or athletic shoes are permitted; No high heels, house shoes, slides, sandals, flip flops, or Crocs; Shoes must have a back for safety reasons.

**SPIRIT WEAR:**

Students may wear Brown Middle School shirts or sweatshirts without hoods any day of the week with appropriate styled slacks, shorts, and skirts.

Shirts/sweatshirts must have Brown Middle School identified with the full school name, school initials, mascot, or some combination of the three by professional screen printing or monogramming. No air brushed or tie-dyed shirts.

**POINTS OF CLARIFICATION FOR DRESS CODE:**

- All students must wear pants at waist level, and pants should be size appropriate.
- Sagging pants are not permitted. Students will be required to wear a belt if sagging pants becomes an issue.
- Undershirts must also be in dress code colors and should not be visible except around collar. Shirts must be size appropriate and tucked at all times.
- Approved outerwear may be worn during the day. All other items should be placed in lockers/backpacks at the beginning of the day.
- Hoodies may not be worn at any time while the student is in the building.
- Shoes must be worn at all times in the school building.
- Logos on shirts or outerwear cannot exceed 2" x 2".
- No sunglasses or non-prescribed glasses, hats/caps, bandanas of any kind, sleeveless shirts, tank tops or cropped tops may be worn.
- Pants/blue jeans, shorts, skirts with holes, rips, or tears are not permitted. This is to include: regular uniform days, non-uniform days, or days when students choose to wear Spirit Gear. Wearing tights under ripped pants does NOT make them meet the dress code requirements.

Dress Down opportunities occur throughout the year, and students must follow the DRESS DOWN GUIDELINES listed below.

**Shirts:** Must have sleeves; must cover body appropriately (no bare chests or cropped tops); may NOT display vulgar or offensive language, pictures or anything pertaining to alcohol, tobacco, drugs, gang-affiliation or offensive symbols. No hoods.

**Pants/Shorts/Skirts:** Blue jeans only are acceptable on Dress Down Days. No sweatpants, leggings, or gym shorts allowed; they must be size appropriate and worn at waist; shorts and skirts must be school dress length; they may not be ripped, torn, or have holes

**Shoes:** For safety reasons, shoes must be worn within regular dress code standards (no flip flops, open toes, or Crocs)

Jackets/Pullovers: Students may wear sweaters, sweatshirts, or fleece in the building.