

“Back-to-Hill” Dress Code, Grades 4-8 (updated 8/20)

The Hill School dress code has always been meant to ensure that students are dressed appropriately and comfortably for class and for the different activities they perform in the course of the day. During the 2020-21 school year, students will not be able to change into sports uniforms, and no loaner shoes or clothing will be available; therefore, the clothes students wear to school will be the clothes they wear to sports and must be clothes and shoes that they can run and exercise in. Because we plan to hold many classes outside, students should also plan to dress for the weather. For these reasons, the dress code will be somewhat more relaxed than in the past. We hope the following guidelines will be helpful:

1. All clothing should be clean, well-fitting, and in good condition.
2. Shorts should be of school-appropriate length.
3. Socks should be worn.
4. Sports shoes should be worn. All shoes should have backs, closed toes, and laces or velcro.
5. Athletic pants or shorts are acceptable.
6. Shirts need not be tucked in.
7. Leggings may not be worn as pants, though they may be worn under shorts or skirts.
8. Skirts may be worn only over bicycle shorts or leggings. They should be of school-appropriate length.
9. A few items of clothing are not permitted:
 - a. Bike shorts (except under skirts).
 - b. Non-Hill School sweatpants (i.e., thick cotton terry pants with a drawstring waist and elastic ankles).
 - c. Clothing with prominent text, logos (including logos of sports teams and other schools), or camouflage print. Hill School gear is acceptable.
 - d. Shirts with narrow (less than two inches) shoulder straps.

A student's teacher may request that other items not be worn at school if they are deemed inappropriate.