

## Charles H. Bruce Elementary – Unified Dress Code 2021-2022

Bruce Elementary School in the pursuit of excellence, both academically and behaviorally adopted a mandatory school uniform. Based on a study conducted by our School Council, we adopted a unified dress policy to determine if there are measurable growths in academic performance or a decrease in behavioral issues while providing a unified, safe environment conducive to learning.

Students may wear:

- Khaki (tan or beige) navy or black walking shorts, slacks, jumpers, Capri pants, skirts and skorts. All pants must be plain (unembellished), non-faded, without holes or fraying, and fitted at the waist and length (cannot touch the floor). Skirts, skorts, and jumpers may be no shorter than 2" above the knee.
- Plain (unembellished) and solid white, navy, light blue or black collared shirts with sleeves containing no designs or logos except the school logo or crest. Clothing **MUST** be the appropriate size. Non-collared Bruce spirit wear may be worn everyday.
- Solid navy, white, or black turtlenecks, long sleeved collared shirts, sweatshirts and sweaters (pullover or cardigan).
- Shirts will be tucked in and belts worn if there are belt loops. Socks must be worn and shoes must have closed toes and backs with heels no higher than 2 inches. Only students who can tie them may wear shoes with laces.
- Hats, caps, hoods, bandannas and scarves may not be worn on the head while in the building.

Items not permitted in the Bibb County dress code will not be permitted in the unified dress policy at Charles H. Bruce Elementary School.

**Opt-Out:** We recommend that this policy be mandatory with exemptions granted for religious reasons or special circumstances. Parents who wish to have their child exempted from the Bruce uniform policy program will need to make an appeal in writing using a standardized form and submit it to the School Advisory Council. Families for whom the unified dress policy will create a financial hardship will contact the school counselor for assistance in obtaining uniform dress elements.