

DRESS CODE POLICY & GUIDELINES

Students at DeSoto School are expected to be dressed and groomed appropriately for school. It is hoped that the student's behavior and attitude will reflect well upon the individual and DeSoto School.

All students in K3 through 12th grade will be required to wear a school uniform. French Toast Uniforms provides a website detailing all available options. The web address is www.frenchtoastsschoolbox.com Select "Shop by School" and search by school code QS5KUDP or school name DeSoto School. French Toast Schoolbox Customer Service may be reached at 800-636-3104.

The uniform is to be worn every day except for spirit days or other occasions approved by the Administration. Guidelines for dress will be given to students for days when they can wear clothing other than the approved school uniform. To promote school spirit, students will be allowed to wear DeSoto jerseys, cheer uniforms, or a DeSoto School shirt on game days during Jr. and Sr. High football season.

Required Casual Uniform (K3-12th)

- Girls - Red logoed polo shirt (from French Toast or Parker)
Khaki pants, shorts, or skort
- Boys - Red logoed polo shirt (from French Toast or Parker)
Khaki pants or shorts

Required Dress Uniform (6-12th)

- Girls - White logoed blouse (from French Toast or Parker)
Plaid skirt or skirted skort (from French Toast or Parker)
- Boys - White logoed, button-down shirt (from French Toast or Parker)
Khaki pants, belt, and red tie

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Each student should have at least one red logoed polo shirt, but blue or white logoed polo shirts are allowed as part of the casual uniform. Several casual options are listed on the French Toast Schoolbox website. Logoed and plaid items must be purchased through French Toast (or Parker) Uniform. Khaki items may be purchased from any vendor who offers tailored dress or uniform style pants (no cargo pants or skinny leg, etc.)

Other Guidelines

- All clothing should be in good condition with no holes, frayed edges, or too tight, etc.
- Proper undergarments will be worn, but not visible outside clothing.
- Leggings or modesty shorts may be worn with skirts or jumpers.
- Hats or caps may not be worn.
- Shorts, skirts, skorts, and jumpers should cover at least half of the student's upper leg. (As a guide - the bottom edge of the garment should be as long as where the student's fingertips are when arms are down by his/her side.)
- Visible tattoos, body piercings, or other inappropriate adornment are not allowed.
- Male students may not wear earrings.
- Shoes should be of sensible style and comfort to compliment school uniform.

Cold Weather Clothing Guidelines – (anything worn along with the uniform shirt)

Solid red, white, blue (royal or navy) or black turtlenecks or long-sleeved t-shirts may be worn under the short-sleeved uniform shirts.

Solid red, white, blue (royal or navy), gray, or black leggings, tights, and socks may be worn with skirts or jumpers.

DeSoto-logoed fleeces, letter jackets, or other school-colored DeSoto spirit wear may be worn over the uniform shirt. MAIS clothing may be worn over the uniform shirt.

Solid red, white, blue (royal or navy), gray, black, or khaki sweatshirts or jackets may be worn throughout the day over the uniform shirt. Items with a mixture of these colors may be allowed by the Administration.

Students who abuse the dress code will be referred to the Administration for appropriate action. Obvious attempts by students to work against the function and purpose of the school uniform through inappropriate choices will be considered in violation of the school dress code policy. Students violating dress code will receive 3 demerits for each infraction and be required to correct the violation. Class time missed to remedy the situation will be excused or unexcused at the Administrator's discretion.