

DRESS CODE

Men of Benedictine are expected to be neat and in compliance with the following dress and personal grooming code when they enter the building. The mission of Benedictine High School is to foster good grooming habits that will be carried into adulthood. Therefore, all articles of clothing should be clean, pressed, and not torn or frayed.

Please Note: The administration reserves the right to determine the appropriate appearance or attire. Students who are not in proper dress code will be subject to disciplinary action.

Dress Slacks and Belts

- traditionally styled slacks with belt loops and inside pockets
- appropriately sized both in waist size and inseam
- acceptable colors - navy, blue, gray, khaki(tan), and black
- fronts may be plain or pleated with either cuffed or stitched hems
- traditional belt of proper length must be worn through all loops and securely buckled

Prohibited: shorts, work pants, cargo pants, jeans, warm-up pants, baggy pants (sags), pants with leg pockets, or any trousers made of or resembling denim, or those having drawstrings or elasticized ankles or gathered elastic waist bands, pants with side loops, or zippers. Wallet chains may not be used. Pants with outside stitched pockets are inappropriate. Decorative belt buckles

Dress Shirts and Ties

- solid color, fully buttoned dress shirt - long or short sleeved
- appropriately fitted in neck and sleeve length
- shirt tucked securely into the waistband of the slacks at all times with no material covering the waistband and belt line of the trousers.
- solid color undershirt may be worn under the shirt
- necktie or bowtie fastened snugly around the neck, fully under the collar and knotted properly so that it extends to the top of the belt

Prohibited: designs, signs, patterns, logos or neon/contrasting colors printed on or woven into the fabric. No undershirt/undergarment to exceed the length of the dress shirtsleeve

Shoes & Socks

- Dress shoes
- shoes must cover the entire heel and toe and do not extend above the ankles
- socks must be worn
- *Boots may be worn if snow is on the ground BUT MUST be changed before the start of the school day*
- If Dress shoes are meant to be laced, they MUST be laced

Prohibited: Boots of any kind are NOT permitted, during the school day. Any shoe extending above the ankle, any type of "hiker", sandals, slippers, athletic shoes or those that mimic athletic styles or any shoes made of canvas or canvas type material or clogs are inappropriate for our school, and are not to be worn during school hours.

Outerwear

Permissible outerwear to be worn over the shirt and tie are: **Ties must be visible at all times.**

- Benedictine Varsity Cardigans
- Suit Jackets/Sport Coats.
- **Solid Color Sweaters with tie visible**
- Benedictine Sweat Shirts (No Hoodies) (Only on dress down days)
- Benedictine High School Fleecees (Only on dress down days)
- Benedictine Varsity Jackets

Prohibited: Team warm-up tops, sweat shirts, hoodies of any kind (including Benedictine Hoodies), jackets, any type of jacket, windbreaker tops, etc.

Personal Grooming

- hair should be of uniform length and should be neat in appearance at all times
- hair length should be no longer than the top of the shirt, Afros should be no higher than two (2) inches
- bangs may not be slicked back or pulled behind the ears.
- students must be clean-shaven at all times, **and may have a neatly trimmed mustache**
- sideburns may extend no lower than the bottom of the ear lobe and may not extend toward the cheek

The administration shall deem what is appropriate. Non-compliance will result in disciplinary action.

Not permitted are: Dyeing or streaking, ponytails, braids, corn rows, Mohawks, Faux-hawks, dreads, twists, excessive carvings or parts. Students who are not clean-shaven will be required to shave at school. A \$5.00 fee for use of the schools shaving materials may be charged.

Miscellaneous

Outdoor coats or jackets may not be worn or carried during the school day except a Benedictine High School varsity jacket. Hats, caps or other headgear must be removed and remain off while a student is in the building. No sunglasses, tinted lenses or glasses mimicking sunglasses may be worn in the building. **Inappropriate** tattoos must be covered/bandaged during the school day and at all after school activities, including interscholastic sporting events for both fan and participant.

Jewelry

Excessive jewelry is not permitted. No earrings, posts or intrusive objects through the ear, tongue or any other visible body parts are allowed. No bandages or other coverings meant to hide such piercings are allowed. Other jewelry is limited to a single watch and one ring per hand. Heavy chains, bracelets or other jewelry worn around the neck and wrists are not permitted. No Apple Watch or any smart watch is permitted.

Different Dress Days

(All days with different dress will be announced by the administration)

Dress-up Thursday

Every Thursday throughout the school year will be a dress-up day, where all students and faculty are encouraged to wear their best dress shoes, dress pants, shirt/tie, and jackets or blazers.

Polo Fridays

Every Friday students are permitted to wear a solid color polo shirt in place of a dress shirt and tie. All other parts of the dress code are in affect. If a student decides not to wear a polo shirt he must be in proper shirt and tie.

Dress Down Day

Dress code for dress down days are as follows: Benedictine gear on top, jeans or athletic pants on bottom and tennis shoes or dress shoes.

Not permitted are: Hoodies, shorts, boots.

Spirit Days

Students are encouraged to wear White and Blue Benedictine gear on top and bottom, in promoting school spirit.