The Haverford School: Dress Code

The School's dress code speaks to the principle that what students and faculty do at Haverford is important. A coat and tie are required throughout the academic day (8:30 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.) and students are expected to be neat (with dress shirt tucked into their pants/trousers) and well-groomed. Teachers reserve the right to allow students to remove their jackets while in class. Any boy who violates the dress code will be subject to disciplinary action as determined by the Dean of Students. The Dean of Students is the final arbiter of any school dress code issue.

Students must wear:

- A sport coat or blazer
- Dress shirt (full button down with collar) with tie
- Trousers with belt loops and a belt or Shorts with belt loops and a belt
- Dress or dress-casual shoes (no sneakers), preferably earth tone in color (black, brown, tan, beige, etc.)
- Hair neat and of natural color
- May wear sweaters, fleeces, sweatshirts and half-zip pullovers provided they do not have a hood or a large visible logo/image/pattern
- May wear facial hair provided that it is neat and well-groomed and approved by the Dean of Students

Students may not wear:

- Jeans, cargo pants, cargo shorts or pants without belt loops or that are excessively baggy and sit below the waist.
- Sandals, or other backless shoes, open-toed shoes
- Sneakers or sneaker-like "shoes" such as those that have a large visible logo, patterns, multiple colors, etc
- Hats
- Sweatshirts and long sleeve shirts that have a large logo and/or hood.
- Headphones, Air Pods, sunglasses, visible chains

From time to time, students will be granted dress down days. Dress-down days are announced with the permission of the Dean of Students.

On dress-down days students may dress as they please with the following exclusions:

- Open-toed or open-heeled shoes
- Pajamas bottoms or any sleepwear items
- Clothing in a significant state of disrepair or clothing displaying inappropriate language, pictures, or symbols.
- Hats, headphones, sunglasses

Whenever there is a dispute over the legitimacy of a certain item of dress, it should be noted: the faculty and the Dean of Students have the authority to request any reasonable and responsible action be taken by any student whether or not that action is explicitly stated in the handbook.