



IB DRESS CODE INFORMATION FOR OUR STUDENTS

OUR PHILOSOPHY:

The IB students are the only students at BISB to not wear a school uniform and are the role models for the younger students to aspire to. Therefore, you should aim to dress in a smart, mature manner that reflects your status in the school and the mutual respect we afford each other within the community.

This outline is designed with the modern working world in mind, but also respects ethos established by our school's uniform.

Hair, makeup, and jewelry should be suitable for day-to-day wear.

Clothing should also be appropriate to our school environment and can include the following:

- Pants (slacks, chinos or suit)
- Skirts
- Blouses or other smart tops
- Shirts, with a structured collar, and tie • Roll-neck or turtleneck sweaters
- Dresses
- Blazer or dress jacket
- Sweater
- Cardigan
- Waistcoat

FAQs:

Hemlines and necklines

When choosing your outfit for the day, please keep in mind that you will be moving around a busy school, walking up and down staircases and carrying backpacks, so it's better to err on the side of caution sometimes. Your top should always overlap slightly with your pants or skirt.

Strap width on tops

Spaghetti strap tops are not acceptable in offices or other professional environments, so please don't wear them to school. Sleeveless tops are fine but please ensure your bra strap is not visible.

Heels

Please remember, you will have to walk around in your shoes all day and move between buildings, so choose wisely.

Boots

These are acceptable as long as the material they are made from can be polished or brushed, such as leather or suede and they are suitable to wear with more formal attire.

DENIM

Please avoid any denim clothing for school, including black jeans.

HOODIES

Please save your hoodies for a dress-down, BISB Spirit Day or P.E. lessons. They're not in-keeping with a work environment and you'll be asked to remove it, even if it's cold. The same thinking applies to sweatshirts.

LOGOS

Your school attire should not have any written branding or slogans on it. A small logo is fine, but this should be discreet in size and color.

SEASONAL APPAREL

Boston's seasons can be extreme. In the winter, please be prepared to remove your coats and snow boots when you come into the school buildings. Similarly, in the summer months, please save anything that could constitute 'beach chic' for the weekends.

SPORTS ATTIRE

On the days you have P.E. please wear sports clothing. Clothing could include items such as leggings, shorts, track pants, track tops, sweatshirts and t-shirts. Items chosen to wear should be appropriate for participating in a range of athletic activities. Similarly, shoes should be appropriate for the twisting and turning actions involved in many sporting activities, Converse and VANS do not provide sufficient support and as such, should be avoided.