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12/19/2011 14:49:40	no	no	
12/19/2011 20:41:34	no	no	
12/20/2011 11:16:57	no	no	
12/21/2011 7:33:25	no	no	
12/21/2011 17:31:49	no	no	
12/22/2011 9:43:33	no	no	
12/22/2011 14:04:17	no	no	
12/22/2011 14:04:29	no	no	
12/23/2011 15:45:31	no	no	
12/23/2011 15:47:02	no	no	
12/24/2011 10:21:01	no	no	
12/28/2011 17:30:57	no	no	I think the time that is being spent on this dress code has taken the focus off what is really important at Sippican School.
12/28/2011 17:31:07	no	no	
12/28/2011 17:31:48	no	no	I am totally against a strict dress code for our school. Students should be able to express their individuality through many ways, including the way they dress. Parents should not be expected to buy what are basically uniforms as well as an entire other wardrobe for their quickly growing children for the afterschool hours and weekends and vacations. My daughter, for example, would be extremely uncomfortable wearing those types of clothes. I certainly don't believe it would improve their behavior or their grades just because they are walking around like a group of little clones. I certainly hope this is not implemented, and especially as next year is my child's last year in Sippican and I hope she can enjoy it to the fullest.
12/28/2011 19:00:09	no	no	Fine to say no open toe shoes, no spaghetti straps, and the appropriate length of shorts/skirts, but I think that is part of the existing code.
12/28/2011 20:25:56	no	no	

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12/29/2011 12:12:35	no	no	<p>Since when does the school committee get to make suggestions for a "strict dress code" that would include the khaki pants, buttoned collard shirts and no jeans and determine what is appropriate for a public school student to wear? What is the reasoning for this suggestion? Is it "research based" or just a concern for 1-2 members/ladies on the board?</p> <p>Perhaps if school committee members or school council members or VASE feel that strongly about clothing, maybe they should begin to dress their own students according to their suggested recommendations first. Sippican is a public school where children and adults dress appropriately. Surely, there must be more important topics for these "leaders" to discuss than this.</p>
12/29/2011 12:12:49	no	no	
12/29/2011 12:12:57	no	no	
12/29/2011 12:13:07	no	no	
12/29/2011 12:14:18	no	no	
12/29/2011 20:13:35	no	no	
12/29/2011 20:13:46	no	no	
12/29/2011 20:14:49	no	no	
12/29/2011 20:17:45	no	no	<p>Why is this being surveyed? Shouldn't parents, administration, teachers & students be concerned with more important topics of conversation than this?</p>
12/29/2011 21:22:45	no	no	<p>Would like to see young girls covered up a bit. No short shorts, and no tank tops without a blouse or sweater over it!</p>
12/30/2011 14:33:19	no	no	
12/30/2011 14:33:59	no	no	
12/30/2011 14:35:02	no	no	
12/30/2011 14:36:47	no	no	
12/30/2011 14:37:16	no	no	<p>I think it is a parents responsibility to ensure that their child follows the reasonable dress code that is already in place. If a child does not follow the dress code, they should be sent home.</p>
12/30/2011 14:41:44	no	no	

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12/30/2011 14:43:16	no	no	This is a public school. Dress codes will only add to our already bleeding pocketbooks and not allow for students to fully express themselves. This sounds like a band aid. If there are issues, they should be addressed individually, not taken out on all the students. I do believe in a few rules as kids do tend to test the boundaries, however not the entire wardrobe.
12/30/2011 14:44:45	no	no	If I wanted my children to dress only in khaki pants and button down shirts I would be sending them to a private school. If there are parents who do not like how other children or the teachers dress maybe they should send their own children to private schools where there is a strict dress code. The emphasis should be on how well a teacher can teach and not how well they dress. And the students should be focusing on their school work and how much effort they put into it. If there is an issue with "clique" type clothing than the responsibility to teach a child to rise above all of that lays within each child's home life- not the school.
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12/30/2011 14:45:57	no	no	I think we should address these concerns on an individual basis by speaking to each child and parent reminding them of the basic rules of dress
12/30/2011 14:46:23	no	no	I think there are far more important and pressing matters for teachers and admin staff to focus on. Enforcing a stricter dress code will not eliminate bullying in the school...no matter what children are wearing, bullying will still occur. I think the school already has a strong anti-bullying policy in place that is working. Getting children in the right mind set for school, and ready to learn, goes far beyond what one wears to school...it involves outreach to families and finding ways for purposeful family engagement. Thank you!
12/30/2011 14:47:41	no	no	<p>If I wanted to see my child in a uniform, I would choose Private School. I do not want Sippican to endorse an image of "elitism" by forcing our children to dress in a uniform manner that some may be trying to disguise as a "dress code".</p> <p>Furthermore, I have heard the term "fashion bullying" used to promote this new dress policy. On the contrary, I believe creating a uniform "dress code" for Sippican students would be a form of "fashion bullying" toward other nearby elementary schools.</p> <p>Once again, creating this uniform "dress code" would be creating an image of "elitism" among our children and that is NOT what I want to see in our public school system!</p>
12/30/2011 15:26:33	no	no	If I wanted to have my child attend school in uniform I would have enrolled my child in a private school.

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12/30/2011 15:26:59	no	no	
12/30/2011 15:27:02	no	no	The current dress code is fine. If there are problems, maybe it's an enforcement issue.
12/30/2011 15:31:39	no	no	The current dress code is working fine... No need for change.
12/30/2011 15:39:29	no	no	<p>It is written clearly now. Bullying seems to be addressed clearly now.</p> <p>Before a strict code is adopted the staff should investigate by talking frankly to teachers at schools with dress codes and ask how it is implemented. Do they feel comfortable addressing fashion now in addition to maintaining order/ teaching?</p> <p>Who notices and tracks violations (kids are great at finding the edges - will sweaters be allowed when there are heating issues? t shirts in warm class rooms? or have all heating/cooling issues been dealt with?) What happens when one teacher lets something slide? Are we adding their sense of fashion fairness to their evaluation.</p> <p>How are pins/religious ornaments /necklaces regulated? Would buttons be allowed that have non disruptive but secular comments (much like the t shirts that say things like "I run with scissors" etc.)</p> <p>What is the goal? Is it to interrupt bullying? (If so - does it work? What happens to snide comments and "looks" now? Is there a clear message that this too is bullying?)</p> <p>What gets lost? While I abhor the materialistic stampede for Uggs and Northface that is the de facto uniform among now, is it worth erasing the odd ball who expresses themselves through their own unique style? The kids who get a sense of individualism and self worth by wearing their sports jersey/t shirts that show who they feel they are?</p> <p>I know my kids will rebel somewhat. What happens if they don't follow the code but are otherwise well behaved? (Sorry if this is duplicated - not sure if it sent before closing)</p>
12/30/2011 15:44:01	no	no	If I wanted my child to go to a parochial school, I would have done so.
12/30/2011 16:34:21	no	no	
12/30/2011 16:35:57	no	no	
12/30/2011 17:03:07	no	no	

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12/30/2011 17:20:13	no	no	I want my child to wear what she wants within reason. I do NOT want my child to wear a uniform, I don't think that a child going to public school should be made to wear a uniform, the children at Sippican dress nicely and I don't see the need to change that. If I wanted my child to wear a uniform I would have sent her to a private school.
12/30/2011 17:25:27	no	no	I feel that the current dress expectations at sippican school are fair and reasonable as long as they are enforced consistently in all the grades by all teachers
12/30/2011 17:25:55	no	no	
12/30/2011 17:38:52	no	no	I think Sippican has more problems to think about and work on then a dress code. The reputation of the school has fallen and continues to fall. My children attend and I am not happy with their experience there. I think you should work on your relationship with the parents first!
12/30/2011 18:28:05	no	no	
12/30/2011 18:32:54	no	no	
12/30/2011 20:06:48	no	no	I love the individual expression of each child. Marion is so homogenous as it is, it concerns me that our children might be asked to dress in such a conservative, cookie cutter fashion. If parents want to dress their children in a preppy fashion, let them, but don't force that upon us.
12/30/2011 20:06:56	no	no	i feel children should be able to express themselves by choice of their own attire.
12/30/2011 20:28:40	no	no	I really hope this is a non-starter, and only a polite effort to appease a vocal school board member. If someone can show me that a dress code will make kids learn better, then a community can have a conversation (and not a survey), but to ask people's uninformed opinion seems silly unless, like I said this is just a nice gesture. I hope the administration doesn't have to waste another minute on this sort of thing. You've got more important things to do. Keep up the good work.
12/30/2011 20:49:47	no	no	
12/30/2011 23:10:44	no	no	How about a dress code for the school faculty? Lead by example and cover the tattoos, piercings, and wear appropriate shoes.
12/31/2011 7:30:50	no	no	
12/31/2011 8:43:30	no	no	
12/31/2011 8:59:59	no	no	

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12/31/2011 10:03:18	no	no	
12/31/2011 10:03:29	no	no	
12/31/2011 10:03:40	no	no	
12/31/2011 10:03:48	no	no	
12/31/2011 10:03:55	no	no	
12/31/2011 10:04:02	no	no	
12/31/2011 12:22:08	no	no	This issue should not be an issue. Just another instance of a chosen few attempting to influence an overwhelming majority as to what is best for them.
12/31/2011 12:25:12	no	no	
12/31/2011 12:25:31	no	no	
12/31/2011 12:26:07	no	no	
12/31/2011 12:26:28	no	no	
12/31/2011 12:26:59	no	no	
12/31/2011 12:28:11	no	no	
12/31/2011 12:28:23	no	no	
12/31/2011 12:28:34	no	no	
12/31/2011 12:28:42	no	no	
12/31/2011 12:28:50	no	no	
12/31/2011 12:28:58	no	no	

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12/31/2011 12:29:21	no	no	
12/31/2011 12:29:28	no	no	
12/31/2011 13:55:23	no	no	
12/31/2011 15:10:53	no	no	
12/31/2011 16:25:57	no	no	I do not feel there is a need for a dress code at this level. I believe it would be necessary for Jr. and Senior High.
12/31/2011 16:32:47	no	no	What about the children, like one of my own, who likes to wear running pants and T- Shirts? She does not feel comfortable wearing kakhi pants or buttoned shirts,am I supposed to send her to school uncomfortable?
12/31/2011 16:41:03	no	no	Include specific examples of inappropriate attire to more directly address this issue...it is rather vague and open to interpretation in this area.
12/31/2011 17:13:45	no	no	If the snobby mothers wouldn't make their kids the same way as them, then there wouldn't be any bullying when it comes to dress. As an adult when my now high schooler was in Sippican I was bullied by the mothers because I worked. Start with the parents of the children causing this intolerable behavior.
12/31/2011 23:22:07	no	no	
1/1/2012 8:04:51	no	no	
1/1/2012 9:42:35	no	no	
1/1/2012 10:14:58	no	no	
1/1/2012 11:53:21	no	no	
1/1/2012 12:47:22	no	no	I think enforcing a dress code puts undue burden on teachers and potentially school budgets. What does a school do when a child is out of dress code? Are they sent home? Punished? Additionally, there will be a host of families unable to afford to invest in a "uniform" or dress code and hence would put the school in a position of needing to fund the policy. At a time when teachers are being layed off, must we engage in this type of initiative. I think that the basic dress expectations should simply be reinforced and articulated clearly to students and parents. We need not be draconian in these efforts.

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1/1/2012 14:41:19	no	no	<p>Sippican has a dress code. As it states above, if students are not conforming then it is the role of the administration to "determine appropriateness of clothing" --and I would add--to engage students in discussions so that the spirit of the dress code is clearly understood and hopefully valued as a demonstration of pride (as stated above).</p> <p>Some of the ongoing discussion regarding the dress code was in response to clothing brand labels and "bullying". However, khaki pants and collared shirts also have labels. Changing the kinds of clothes does not address the root of the problem.</p>
1/1/2012 14:41:28	no	no	<p>Sippican has a dress code. As it states above, if students are not conforming then it is the role of the administration to "determine appropriateness of clothing" --and I would add--to engage students in discussions so that the spirit of the dress code is clearly understood and hopefully valued as a demonstration of pride (as stated above).</p> <p>Some of the ongoing discussion regarding the dress code was in response to clothing brand labels and "bullying". However, khaki pants and collared shirts also have labels. Changing the kinds of clothes does not address the root of the problem.</p>
1/1/2012 16:33:57	no	no	
1/1/2012 17:16:31	no	no	
1/1/2012 17:54:00	no	no	<p>I do not believe a dress code is either necessary or desirable at the elementary school in Marion. I don't want our teachers to become the clothing police. It is a waste of time and energy. I work at a public school where there is a dress code and the students are continually challenging the code in order to find ways of self expression. It is developmentally appropriate for children to try to figure out who they are and where they fit in through their dress. What will the rules be about shoes? hair? earrings? necklaces? shirts under the "collared" shirts? sweaters over the collared shirts? what about hot weather? gym days? art? It is a can of worms which we should NOT open.</p>
1/1/2012 18:40:31	no	no	<p>I have no problem with a dress code that involves school shirts (i.e. polos, t-shirts, sweatshirts and button down shirts with the school logo) but I think restricting the type of pants is too much. There needs to be more options and jeans for children are appropriate.</p>
1/1/2012 19:35:19	no	no	
1/1/2012 21:01:10	no	no	<p>I think the argument that some are making about bullying in regards to changing the dresscode is ridiculous. We should use the opportunity to teach our children, #1 to stand up to others that are teasing/bullying them and #2 that they are not always going to have what others have. There are always going to be those that have more, in some fashion, than they. It's not a reason to make everyone else change just because they get their feelings hurt. Parents, teach your kids to toughen up - life isn't always fair.</p>
1/1/2012 21:02:30	no	no	
1/1/2012 22:02:34	no	no	<p>I haven't seen anything that makes me think that a dress code is needed for the students or teachers! My oldest is only in 2nd grade but I think that letting everyone wear what they want is absolutely fine!!!</p>

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1/2/2012 0:04:35	no	no	dress code is a terrible idea. kids at sippican llok fine and so do teachers. i am outraged that this is even being discussed. it has nothing to do with education but some crazy attempt at control and conformity. i could not be more opposed to this asinine idea.
1/2/2012 8:31:41	no	no	
1/2/2012 10:12:07	no	no	
1/2/2012 11:44:30	no	no	
1/2/2012 11:44:55	no	no	
1/2/2012 11:54:59	no	no	This is a public school and I don't want others dictating what my child should wear beyond basic dress expectations that apply to society.
1/2/2012 11:55:10	no	no	
1/2/2012 11:55:23	no	no	
1/2/2012 11:55:31	no	no	
1/2/2012 11:55:38	no	no	
1/2/2012 11:55:45	no	no	
1/2/2012 11:55:50	no	no	
1/2/2012 11:56:02	no	no	
1/2/2012 12:51:11	no	no	
1/2/2012 12:54:45	no	no	
1/2/2012 17:42:57	no	no	
1/2/2012 18:31:25	no	no	
1/2/2012 18:31:31	no	no	
1/2/2012 18:31:41	no	no	
1/2/2012 18:32:50	no	no	Having my children pick out their clothes promotes individuality and increases responsibility! Let's leave this one alone, Marion!
1/2/2012 18:32:59	no	no	
1/2/2012 19:57:15	no	no	we should spend our time at school educating children, not regulating their dress
1/2/2012 19:57:35	no	no	
1/2/2012 19:57:45	no	no	
1/2/2012 19:58:03	no	no	
1/2/2012 19:58:19	no	no	
1/2/2012 19:58:34	no	no	
1/2/2012 19:58:50	no	no	
1/2/2012 19:59:03	no	no	
1/2/2012 19:59:17	no	no	
1/2/2012 19:59:36	no	no	
1/2/2012 20:00:07	no	no	do not infringe on my child's civil liberties!!
1/2/2012 20:00:24	no	no	

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1/2/2012 20:00:39	no	no	
1/2/2012 20:01:04	no	no	are you willing to buy the clothes for my family?
1/2/2012 20:01:19	no	no	
1/2/2012 20:57:56	no	no	
1/3/2012 8:52:34	no	no	A dress code would put an unreasonable financial burden on our family.
1/3/2012 10:08:53	no	no	I think there are already expectations outlined in the handbook that are sufficient. It really is NOT broken, so let's not mess with it! I think the kids need to be able to express themselves, play at recess and be comfortable in their seats in order to have the best chance at learning effectively. I also think it would be nearly impossible (and unnecessarily time consuming for the staff) to enforce a dress code in our public school. We live in Marion . . . and it seems to me the issues that encourage dress codes in public schools are fairly unique to inner city schools.
1/3/2012 11:35:44	no	no	
1/3/2012 11:39:04	no	no	I strongly oppose a stricter dress code as described. My 4th grader has never indicated that the current dress code presents a problem for her or other children nor has she reported 'fashion-bullying'. On the contrary, my child enjoys expressing her individuality through her style of dress and often rejects clothes that 'everyone wears'. I consider it a perfect opportunity to afford her a freedom that I can monitor and use to guide her toward responsible choices. I've heard of no evidence presented that shows "student learning could be enhanced" by the style of dress described, as contended by school committee members. In response to the suggestion that students are "being bullied over clothing labels", I would remind Ms. Ouellette that khaki pants and collared shirts also have labels, as do shoes and other accessories. Given that neither of these arguments have proven merit, I have to assume the supporters are motivated by their dislike of the 'spaghetti-straps' worn by children other than their own. A more strict enforcement of the current dress code should address their concerns.
1/3/2012 13:05:46	no	no	
1/3/2012 13:06:08	no	no	
1/3/2012 13:06:21	no	no	
1/3/2012 13:06:36	no	no	
1/3/2012 15:45:07	no	no	
1/3/2012 18:26:08	no	no	
1/3/2012 19:07:04	no	no	

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1/3/2012 19:50:22	no	no	<p>A change in the student dress code would need to be accompanied by a similar dress code for teachers. I do not think either is necessary.</p> <p>We expect students to run at recess and actively participate in gym and music - neither of these can be accomplished effectively in khakis and buttoned shirts.</p>
1/3/2012 20:17:53	no	no	<p>I am really distressed that our school committee considers this an adequate issue for administrators and others to research/survey. While I am satisfied with Sippican School, there is much more they could be doing to challenge, to inspire, and to intellectually grow my children. Conversations like these are more than just distractions. They actually detract from better educating my children. When is the school committee going to get serious about enhancing the best parts of the school and truly examining the parts that need support/change? Let's focus on continuous improvements and not on making children fit into one's preconceived notions of how a "serious" student should look.</p>
1/3/2012 21:04:25	no	no	
1/4/2012 2:09:02	no	no	
1/4/2012 2:32:45	no	no	
1/4/2012 7:33:32	no	no	
1/4/2012 10:56:25	no	no	
1/4/2012 11:37:09	no	no	
1/4/2012 12:54:16	no	no	<p>In my opinion, the basic dress expectations needs further clarification. Some specific examples of what is acceptable (or not) would prove very helpful-- i.e. length of skirts, proper footwear, athletic attire vs. casual wear, etc., . . .).</p>
1/4/2012 14:38:17	no	no	<p>I'm responding to this survey a SECOND time, only to make the point that I can. I'd also make the point that anyone can respond, particularly since the survey link is posted on a local paper's website.</p> <p>I understand the need for anonymity, but would hope that this is a preliminary survey only and that a more accurate means would be used to gather opinions from the Sippican School community before moving forward with changes to the current dress policy.</p>
1/4/2012 16:42:25	no	no	
1/4/2012 18:28:36	no	no	
1/5/2012 9:32:25	no	no	no
1/5/2012 9:32:34	no	no	no
1/5/2012 9:57:09	no	no	<p>My children have never encountered any issues around what they wear to school. Implementing a dress code takes away a child's sense of individuality and something they feel they may have some control over.</p>
12/30/2011 14:35:20	yes	no	

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12/30/2011 14:35:57	yes	no	
12/30/2011 14:36:08	yes	no	
12/30/2011 16:31:16	yes	no	
12/30/2011 17:51:47	yes	no	
12/31/2011 10:05:27	yes	no	A basic uniform would be awesome and allow students to focus on the inner individuality instead of their outside appearance.
12/31/2011 12:36:27	yes	no	
12/31/2011 18:48:53	yes	no	
12/19/2011 14:17:10	no	yes	I don't think the dress code needs to be drastically changed however I do believe it needs to be enforced better. I also think that the school should have all school meetings regarding dress status, i.e. children should not be made fun of or defined by what they are wearing. Not everyone can afford the expensive name brands. I have seen girls go to school with shorts or skirts that are way too short and/or tops that are not appropriate. This NEEDS to be addressed. Thank you.
12/30/2011 14:37:32	no	yes	I do believe the children should be able to choose what they want to wear, to a point. Obviously inappropriate clothing should not be allowed, but i dont believe we need a strict dress code in a public elementary school.
12/30/2011 14:53:21	no	yes	Having been in uniform my entire life, I am definitely for a school dress code. I think it helps focus the kids on learning, and it takes away the added stress from both parents and kids to "fit in." I am for the khakis and polo/shirt dress code, don't know about the "strict" part. I came from a school with a "strict" dress code (ie wool plaid skirts {only 2" above the knee}, oxfords, ties, etc..), and I must say, I truly enjoyed having a uniform. There was no worrying about what to wear to school that day. Our biggest worry was what color oxford to wear, whar color tights, or what color solid tie. I think a dress code is a great thing & can only help both parents and students.

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12/30/2011 18:00:38	no	yes	I'd like to see the added expectation that children will be expected to dress for the weather (including hats, gloves, mittens, appropriate jacket) for outdoor recess. As well as what the consequences would be for inappropriate or lack of appropriate clothing and how it will be enforced.
12/30/2011 20:16:19	no	yes	Include something about appropriate footwear. No flip flops or sandals that don't fully cover the feet.
12/31/2011 14:27:35	no	yes	I am concerned that the strict dress code may cause discomfort for some students; however, I am in favor of requiring dress that truly shows pride in themselves and their school. I don't know the best way to develop this change and am curious if there are existing issues or concerns with labels and status of certain clothing items or if it is more an issue of sloppy dressing. I look forward to learning more about it.
12/31/2011 14:27:46	no	yes	Pants should be worn at or near waist not below. Undergarments and body parts should not be exposed. (i.e. no "pants on the ground")
12/31/2011 20:56:14	no	yes	I taught in a school system that tried to do the strict dress code and it failed miserably. There were those that could not afford the uniforms on top of everyday clothes and it became a real burden. The kids also tweaked the uniforms to make them more their style and defeated the purpose. Also, kids should be able to express themselves to a degree keeping in mind that what they wear in school needs to be appropriate to learning and respectful. I do agree that having limits to what the kids wear is good. My old principal kept a box of extra large ugly t shirts in his office. If kids came in with clothes that were not appropriate the choice was to wear a t shirt from the box to cover things or to get parents to bring in a change of clothes. That worked wonders, especially with the ladies.
1/1/2012 11:14:03	no	yes	no short shorts, no spaghetti strap tank tops, no unnatural ripes in pants
1/2/2012 9:59:57	no	yes	Really torn on this and could go either way. I am OK with asking kids to tuck in shirts, no-mini's - skirts 2 inches above the knee, not wearing baseball hats backwards, and never in the building, and eliminating tanks for boys and girls. I like the rule of shirts having sleeves (no tanks for boys and girls), and if they are sleeveless they should have a collar (girl). I think that will get rid of some of the issues. I don't think it's fair to have parents buy new clothes for school. Plus khakis are not the best for playing and I would expect some play at school. My kids like to dress up, so I would be fine with something a bit more formal, and additional guidelines, but think it may be more of a neatening up - than implementing a strict dress code. Good luck - this is a tricky issue. Bottom line is you want kids and parents to feel good about going to school. It should be a comfortable place of respect. Like a nice restaurant or church, I do think making some extra effort in dressing makes you stand up a bit taller.

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1/2/2012 11:22:39	no	yes	Really torn on this and could go either way. I am OK with asking kids to tuck in shirts, no-mini's - skirts 2 inches above the knee, not wearing baseball hats backwards, and never in the building, and eliminating tanks for boys and girls. I like the rule of shirts having sleeves (no tanks for boys and girls), and if they are sleeveless they should have a collar (girl). I think that will get rid of some of the issues. I don't think it's fair to have parents buy new clothes for school. Plus khakis are not the best for playing and I would expect some play at school. My kids like to dress up, so I would be fine with something a bit more formal, and additional guidelines, but think it may be more of a neatening up - than implementing a strict dress code. Good luck - this is a tricky issue. Bottom line is you want kids and parents to feel good about going to school. It should be a comfortable place of respect. Like a nice restaurant or church, I do think making some extra effort in dressing makes you stand up a bit taller.
1/3/2012 15:13:11	no	yes	
1/4/2012 14:52:08	no	yes	Would teachers have to follow the strict dress code if enacted?
1/4/2012 18:23:09	no	yes	
12/30/2011 17:50:11	yes	yes	I think that a clearly defined dress code, but not a uniform, is good for all students and families. This would require that all faculty and staff be committed to enforcing the dress code, and that there be consequences (such as needing to stay after school and do work that benefits the school, or having to change into dress-code-approved clothing that is kept in the office).
12/31/2011 20:47:14	yes	yes	
1/4/2012 12:34:35	yes	yes	
12/28/2011 14:54:49	no		
12/31/2011 16:40:41	no		The basic dress expectations are written however I don't feel as though they are enforced. Some female students wear very short, shorts and flip flops are common despite how unsafe they are. I think if there are expectations then they should be enforced.
12/22/2011 10:01:25	yes		
12/26/2011 16:31:47	yes		Absolutly agree. I'd go for a tucked-in oxford dress shirt, khaki pants, black belt and V-Neck pullover sweater. It's simple, affordable and looks excellent on kids!
12/26/2011 16:32:13	yes		
12/26/2011 16:35:22	yes		polos only please
12/28/2011 16:16:21	yes		We would not mind a dress code, however it would have to carry over to the faculty as well. Its difficult to tell children to dress a certain way when staff does not. would also like to have a better clarification of what the girls would have to wear. thank you

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12/30/2011 14:36:33	yes		Uniforms would allow for children to concentrate less on appearance and more on why they are in school in the first place. Studies have shown that it may also decrease bullying instances.
12/30/2011 14:39:49	yes		
12/30/2011 15:03:16	yes		Uniforms would be welcome
12/30/2011 15:30:54	yes		
12/30/2011 15:36:59	yes		
12/30/2011 15:37:25	yes		I have always believed that all public schools should implement a strict dress code such as khakis and button collared shirts....I am thrilled to think that this would be enforced. Sippican in my opinion operates like a private school, why not dress like one? :)
12/30/2011 16:02:13	yes		
12/30/2011 16:26:32	yes		I believe it would take a big burden off the parents, as many know Marion is considered to be a high class town but not everyone who lives here was born with a silver spoon or has the means to afford big TICKET designer clothes. There are many families who live pay to pay and can't afford food or oil let alone clothes so their kids aren't made fun of.
12/30/2011 16:58:47	yes		
12/30/2011 18:17:06	yes		Khakis and collared shirts are certainly conducive to eliminating unnecessary distractions during the day and are no more expensive than the clothes parents are already purchasing for their children.
12/30/2011 18:18:37	yes		
12/31/2011 9:55:40	yes		
12/31/2011 12:35:21	yes		
1/2/2012 9:14:53	yes		I think the staff should also be held to these standards - with or without a dress code for the students. I don't think teachers should be allowed to wear jeans or anything resembling sweats.
1/2/2012 14:32:08	yes		I am all in favor of school uniforms. I went to public school with school uniforms and it is easier, less expensive and puts all the kids on the same level playing field. Let individuality shine in terms of sports, academics, music, art, etc
1/2/2012 14:50:15	yes		I would support any stricter code, although I don't see a current problem.
1/3/2012 9:04:05	yes		School is a place for learning. Not a place for children to be categorized into the "haves" and "have nots".

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1/3/2012 10:18:12	yes		Dress code should include pants or skirt same color for boys & girls. A shirt choice of two or three colors, same color options for boys and girls. Shirt could be collared or not.
1/3/2012 14:13:49	yes		
1/3/2012 14:14:42	yes		
1/3/2012 15:45:01	yes		I think a dress code is great but with the alternative of an appropriate length shorts/skirts for warmer weather and a polo/rugby shirt that does not need to be ironed as opposed to a dress shirt. We had a dress code at a previous school and it took a lot of the catty behavior out of the girls.(which we have suffered from a great deal at sippican)
1/3/2012 19:03:20	yes		
1/3/2012 19:05:06	yes		
1/3/2012 19:24:42	yes		
1/3/2012 19:24:50	yes		
1/3/2012 19:25:06	yes		
1/3/2012 20:06:05	yes		
1/3/2012 20:06:12	yes		
1/4/2012 7:44:38	yes		
1/4/2012 21:47:02	yes		
1/4/2012 21:47:28	yes		
1/5/2012 7:39:14	yes		
1/5/2012 8:25:05	yes		I would like to see uniforms for the children. That way all the children are viewed the same regardless of fashion and/or ability to pay for expensive clothing.
12/30/2011 21:08:05			Maybe,khaki pants and buttoned collared shirts are descriptive of 'boy' clothing....would the girl attire be the same? If not, what then?