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8/26/11	Macon.com	Peach County	Peach	Fort Ginley	GA	3,981	Under the policy, approved by the Peach County Board of Education in May, students have to wear solid-colored shirts with collars and slacks, shorts or skirts in khaki, blue or black.	http://www.macon.com/2011/08/03/1653030/de		
8/25/11	The Arizona Republic						Parents at Knox Elementary School voted (100 to 87 who responded to the survey) to keep the students not participating in the Academically Talented Program wearing uniforms, while those in the gifted program will not have to wear them.	http://www.azcentral.com/arizonaarepublic/local/articles/2011/08/02/20110802chandler-school-uniform-policy-debated.html	"A majority of the continuing Knox Elementary families prefer that their children wear uniforms," district spokesman Terry Locke said. "A majority of the families whose students will attend the Knox Academy prefer their children not wear uniforms. "We are trying to accommodate the wishes of the majority."	
8/23/11	The Telegraph	Jersey CUSD 100	Jersey	Jerseyville	IL	2,862	Tensions continue in the Jersey Community School District as school officials enforce the dress code outlined in the district handbook.	http://www.thetelegraph.com/news/school-58361-parent-students.html		
8/22/11	Bay News 9	Manatee	Manatee	Bradenton	FL	42,939	Lee Middle School and Braden River Elementary have dress codes for this school year. In Manatee county, 20 out of 34 elementary schools have a mandated uniform policy. 4 out of 10 middle schools also wear uniforms. No high schools participate.	http://www.baynews9.com/article/news/2011/august/290702/More-schools-switching-to-uniforms-in-Manatee-County?cid=rss		
8/20/11	Detroit Free Press	Southfield	Oakland	Southfield	MI	8,620	Article gives tips on finding affordable clothes that fit in the Detroit area dress codes. Detroit Public Schools requires that all slacks and pants, as well as skirts, jumpers and skorts, be a solid color: khaki, navy blue or black. Southfield adds brown to that list. In Detroit, shirts and blouses must have button-down or straight collars. Turtlenecks and polo styles are permitted. All tops must be worn tucked inside pants, slacks or skirts. Allowed colors are white, blue, black, yellow and pink; some schools allow students to wear school colors (check with your school). In the Southfield district, students must wear collared shirts or blouses with long or short sleeves. Also allowed: Turtlenecks or mock turtlenecks and crew neck and dress sweaters. Vests and all other sweaters (including V and boat necks) must be worn with a collared shirt or turtleneck underneath. Sweaters, shirts and blouses without collars are permitted if worn under a blazer or sport coat.	http://www.freep.com/article/20110820/FEATURES01/108200305/Up-code-Teachers-parents-applaud-school-clothing-rules?odyssey=nav%7Chead		
8/16/11	Hollister Free Lance	R.O. Hardin Elementary, Hollister district	San Benito	Hollister	CA	638	R.O. Hardin Elementary School on Wednesday will become the first campus in the Hollister district to have a uniform policy, though voluntary because California bars public institutions from enforcing the rules or penalizing those who decline participation.	http://hollisterfreelance.com/news/278243-r.o.-hardin-is-first-district-school-with-uniforms		

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8/15/11	The Union-Recorder	Baldwin County	Baldwin	Milledgeville	GA	5,447	Baldwin County schools are helping students conform to the uniform dresscode by providing new and gently used items through individual schooluniformclosets. The school system follows the same dresscodeguidelines regarding uniforms, requiring all elementary, middle and high school students to wear uniforms Monday through Friday, unless principals allow dress down days. Uniforms include polo shirts, dress shirts and turtlenecks in red, black, white and school color along with long pants, shorts, skorts and dresses in khaki, black or navy blue. THP Productions and Flipper Chapel AME Church, along with several local sponsors, will hand out school supplies and uniforms of all sizes during a "Back to School Giveaway" from noon to 3 p.m.			
8/15/11	Central Coast News	El Gabilan Elementary, Salinas City district	Monterey	Salinas	CA	721	El Gabilan Elementary school parents voted 98% for school uniforms for this school year. Concerns over gang colors resulted in a black/white color scheme	http://www.kionrightnow.com/story/15272012/new-school-year-new-dress-code		
8/14/11	TheSunNews.com	Horry 01	Horry	Conway	SC	37,790	HCS Superintendent Cindy Eisberry said the district's policy does allow schools to pursue uniforms if there is staff and parent support, but that the district is not considering a uniform policy.	http://www.thesunnews.com/2011/08/14/2332629/school-uniform-trend-moves-closer.html		
8/10/11	Yourpearlandnews.com	Pearland ISD	Brazoria	Pearland	TX	18,308	Dresscoderule will be less strict next year for students next year. For middle school students, kids can wear shorts to class as long as the hem is no more than three inches above the knee. Belts are recommended but no longer required for junior high students. And high school and junior high school students will be allowed to wear jeans to class. Trustees approved the changes at a meeting held Tuesday (Aug. 10). According to district officials, the updated 2011-12 student dresscodewill be posted on the PISD website on Friday. For more information, visit www.pearlandisd.org	http://www.yourhoustonnews.com/pearland/news/article_4ecddf7-7525-5dda-a389-aa7710e98653.html		
8/8/11	Islandpacket.com	Beaufort 01	Beaufort	Beaufort	SC	19,786	Outline of uniforms for each of the schools in the district	http://www.islandpacket.com/2011/08/08/1749361/packet-school-profiles-for-aug.html		

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8/3/11	NewsChief.com	Lake Wales High School, Polk District	Polk	Lake Wales	FL	1,256	<p>Two local vendors will sell black, orange and white-polo style shirts with embroidered logos for approximately \$17.75. Cost may vary with larger sizes.</p> <p>The Lake Wales High School dresscode for the 2011-12 school year states students must wear a black, orange, or white polo with the LWHS logo, purchased from the Lake Wales High School uniform provider. Students may wear plain white or black T-shirts under their polo shirts. Students may also wear black turtlenecks under the polos.</p> <p>Other clothes required, include tan or khaki long pants or shorts, and Capri pants, skorts or skirts for girls.</p> <p>The dresscode requires that all pants, shorts, Capris, skorts or skirts must be hemmed, must have a decent length and fit, must not hang on the hips in an indecent manner, and must keep underwear covered.</p>	http://www.newschief.com/article/20110803/NEWS/108035000/1021/news01?Title=LWHS-students-urged-to-get-ready-for-school-year		
8/2/11		Seymour Community Schools	Jackson	Seymour	IN	4,115	<p>Seymour Middle School's new dresscode takes effect Aug. 11, the first day of the new school year. Students in sixth through eighth grade will be returning to school wearing solid color polo shirts and khakis, dress pants or skirts.</p> <p>The new policy, which Seymour Community Schools trustees approved in January and called a dresscode by some and a uniform by others, requires students' shirts to be collared polos with no more than three buttons. They cannot have stripes, pockets, designs or logos. The same goes for sweaters and sweatshirts. Hoodies, or hooded sweatshirts, are not permitted.</p> <p>Also no longer allowed are blue jeans. Pants, shorts or skirts must be plain pleated or flat front style with a standard zipper and button waist in khaki, navy blue or black. Shorts and skirts must be knee-length.</p> <p>The only exception to the rules is school-sanctioned clothing. Students are allowed to wear SMS athletic, academic or club T-shirts, hooded sweatshirts and warm-ups.</p>			
8/1/11	IndependentMail.com	West Side High, Anderson 05 district	Anderson	Anderson	SC	1,679	<p>Despite a slight majority of parents favoring a proposed move to school uniforms, Westside High School will not go in that direction this year. Surveys sent to the school from parents were only 53 percent in favor and 47 percent against uniforms.</p>	http://www.independentmail.com/news/2011/aug/01/no-uniforms-vet-westside-high/?partner=popular		

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8/1/11	MercuryNews.com	Deer Valley High, Antioch Unified District	Contra Costa	Antioch	CA	2,692	<p>Less than a year after the Antioch school district became the first in the East Bay to implement a high school uniform policy, the dress code has been scaled back at its largest campus.</p> <p>A majority of parents at Deer Valley opted out of the uniform policy, which mandated that students wear specific styles and colors of clothing on campus. Students were required to dress in "spirit wear" with the school colors of black, gray and teal.</p>	http://www.mercurynews.com/breaking-news/ci_18718978?source=rs		
7/28/11	Star Beacon	Asthabula Area City	Ashtabula	Ashtabula	OH	4,144	"Based on the overwhelming response from the parent survey, the Board of Education approved the recommendation that for the 2011-12 school year, no schools will require uniforms for students," Donatone said. "This also includes Saybrook Elementary School, which was previously a uniform school."	http://www.tmcnet.com/usubmit/2011/07/28/5668369.htm		
7/27/11	YNN.com	Poughkeepsie City School District	Dutchess	Poughkeepsie	NY	4,500	District approved a dress code for this year, to be announced. It will likely include khaki pants and polo shirts	http://capitalregion.ynn.com/content/top_stories/551371/city-of-poughkeepsie-school-board-approves-uniform-plan/?ap=1&%3bMP4		
7/26/11		Poughkeepsie City School District	Dutchess	Poughkeepsie	NY	4,500	<p>As part of the Dress Code, the Poughkeepsie City School District has established a mandatory School Uniform Policy for all students in grades Kindergarten through 12. The School Uniform Policy Regulation consists of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The PCSD School Uniform Palette of five District colors (navy blue, khaki, gray, black, and white). Blazers, sweaters, and vests are not required. If they are worn, however, they must be aligned with the School Uniform Policy and follow the dress code. • All clothing must be solid colors (No prints, no names or printed logos, no advertisements). • All clothes must be of an appropriate size to fit the student (No oversized or undersized clothing). • Suggested pants styles are slacks such as Dockers, Capris, and Cargo style • All pants, shorts, or skirts with belt loops must be worn with a belt as needed (The waistline of all pants, shorts, or skirts must be worn on the waistline.). <p>Note: link to uniform regulation: http://www.poughkeepsieschools.org/wp-content/uploads/School-Uniform-Regulation-Final.pdf</p>	http://www.poughkeepsieschools.org/schools/uniform-details-available-school-meetings-thursday-at-6-p-m/		

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7/14/11	Commercial-news.com	Danville CCSD 118	Vermillion	Danville	IL	6,222	<p>Emotions ran high Wednesday night during a District 118 forum at which parents asked questions and offered their opinions about a proposed uniform dresscode.</p> <p>Nearly 70 parents attended the forum, and the majority who spoke to the school board did not favor a uniform dresscode, citing a variety of reasons including the cost involved with buying a new compliant wardrobe, the durability of dress clothes versus jeans and concerns about some taking advantage of the district's assistance program to receive free clothing for their children.</p> <p>School board members voted 5-2 on July 13 to approve the wording in the proposed uniform dresscode, and copies of the proposal were sent to district parents prior to Wednesday's meeting.</p> <p>The only change the board made to the proposal was to require a 60 percent majority vote of parents at a particular school, rather than 75 percent as originally proposed, before the uniform dresscode would be implemented at that school.</p>	http://commercial-news.com/local/x1452094129/Dress-code-ribs-crowd		
7/7/11	Wickedlocal.com	Taunton	Bristol	Taunton	MA	7,920	<p>School district decided to continue the discussion of school uniforms.</p> <p>Superintendent of Schools Dr. Julie Hackett told members of the Committee, and said a new uniform policy couldn't be implemented by the fall. To kick off the discussion, Hackett presented the committee with results of an online parent survey that launched that very morning. Hackett said Wednesday's responses were "overwhelmingly supportive" of school uniforms. "I am a bit surprised about the level of interest in school uniforms," she said. By the meeting Wednesday night, around 400 parents had already taken the survey. Hackett said she plans to keep the survey up and running for several more weeks.</p>	http://www.wickedlocal.com/berkeley/news/x230669510/Taunton-School-Committee-hears-discussion-on-uniforms-for-students#axzz1U4U6Gi8		
7/4/11	West Volusia Beacon	Volusia	Volusia	Deland	FL	62,302	<p>Volusia County's public schools have a new dresscode for students. No more showing of underwear, very-short shorts, low-cut blouses, or exposing certain parts of the anatomy.</p>	http://www.beacononlinenews.com/news/daily/3910	"This is the first districtwide dresscode , rather than school by school," Community Information Director Nancy Wait said.	
6/7/11		Desoto County			TN		<p>Desoto County schools Ok shorts for dress code</p>	http://www.desotocountyschools.org/subsite/dist/page/high-schools-8771		
6/7/11		Pemberton Township	Burlington	Pemberton	NJ	4,969	<p>parents, students and staff weighed the pros and cons of a new dress code that would consist of polo shirts and khaki pants, similar to other districts in New Jersey</p>			

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6/2/11	North Jersey.com	Lodi	Bergen	Lodi	NJ	3,301	Come September, the school uniform policy, successfully implemented at the junior high and high school, will begin at the elementary level as well. School uniforms for elementary students will include burgundy golf shirts with khaki pants. Depending on where the uniforms are purchased, the cost of the uniforms will be between \$25 and \$35. Uniforms may be purchased at local vendors such as JDM Associates or Luciano's Sports Shop or at other stores such as Walmart and Kmart	http://www.northjersey.com/news/123002728_Uniforms_will_be_required_at_elementary_schools.html		
5/31/11	Abbotsford News			Vancouver			Parents at three Abbotsford public schools have voted in favour of dresscodes or schooluniforms for the fall. The votes were held recently at Dave Kandal elementary , Blue Jay elementary and Eugene Reimer middle school . A story in the Abbotsford News says those who cast ballots were overwhelmingly in favour of a dresscode .	http://communities.canada.com/vancouver/sun/blogs/reportcard/archive/tags/abbotsford/default.aspx		
5/24/11	Daily Commercial	Lake	Lake	Tavares	FL	41,050	Board member Rosanne Brandeburg said it's too late to get a policy into place for the fall of 2011, especially with parents already busy with graduations and other festivities at this time of year.	http://www.dailycommercial.com/localnews/story/052411uniforms		
5/23/11	The Times Daily	Florence City	Lauderdale	Florence	AL	4,243	the district's dress code policy, considered the strictest among local public schools, has been tweaked recently to allow for greater flexibility in student dress	http://www.timesdaily.com/article/20110523/NEWS/110529950/1011/NEWS?Title=Dress_codes-more-lenient		
5/22/11	The Times Leader	Dallas ISD	Dallas	Dallas			The Dallas School District is mulling a dress code policy for students attending the new high school building that would be more restrictive than those from past years. There is an existing district policy last updated in 2000, but each of the four school buildings – Dallas High School, Dallas Middle School, Wycallis Elementary and Dallas Elementary – also have their own policies.	http://www.timesleader.com/TheDallasPost/news/DHS_directors_mulling_more_restrictive_dress_code_05-22-2011.html		
5/20/11	Sunsentinel.com	Lake	Lake	Tavares	FL	41,050	The district will have meetings to discuss the issue of dress code	http://www.sun-sentinel.com/news/local/breakingnews/os-lk-uniforms-20110520.0.5095865.story		
3/30/11	Hope Star	Hope	Hempstead	Hope	AR	2,690	Pupils oppose uniform policy	http://c.moreover.com/click/here.pl?z4451857476&z=1250248687		
3/29/11	My Fox Birmingham	Tuscaloosa City	Tuscaloosa	Tuscaloosa	AL	10,274	The Tuscaloosa City School Board is hoping to tighten up the student dress code policy. After discussing dresscode issues with a committee of parents, teachers and students, the board decided not to mandate official school uniforms . Instead, the board plans to require students to wear I.D. badges.	http://c.moreover.com/click/here.pl?z4447304018&z=1250248683		
3/27/11	App.com	Rumson Borough	Monmouth	Rumson	NJ	995	A survey of parents and students came down on the side of continuing — but truly enforcing — the current dress code , which could be tweaked after review by a committee being formed by the superintendent.	http://c.moreover.com/click/here.pl?z4391000306&z=1250248687		

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3/24/11	Fresno Bee	Bullard High, Fresno Dist	Fresno	Fresno	CA	2,725	In a split vote -- following more than two hours of heated debate -- Fresno Unified school trustees Wednesday turned down a proposal for student uniforms at Bullard High School next year.	http://c.moreover.com/click/here.pl?z4356525525&z=1250248686		
3/21/11	The Times-News	Gooding Joint District	Gooding	Gooding	ID	1,172	Twin Falls School District is considering implementing the practice at Bridge Academy, an alternative middle school.	http://www.magicvalley.com/news/local/twin-falls/article_a46708f4-a3af-5029-9f79-e9a2a1e645ed.html		
3/10/11	Malibu Times	Malibu High, Santa Monica Dist	Los Angeles	Malibu	CA	1,235	Parents being surveyed about implementing a uniform policy	http://c.moreover.com/click/here.pl?z4300389134&z=1250248686		
3/9/11	New Haven Register	New Haven	New Haven	New Haven	CT	19,736	West Haven surveys parents about implementing uniforms for 2011 school year	http://c.moreover.com/click/here.pl?z4296684634&z=1250248683		
1/20/11	Southeast Missourian	Scott City	Scott	Scott	MO	979	Board members worked over the details of what students will be allowed to wear to class in the 2011-2012 school year, when the policy takes effect. Before arriving at a consensus, however, the board heard plenty from many of the 70 community members, the majority of whom were staunchly opposed to the policy.	http://www.semissourian.com/story/1696531.html		
12/3/10	Gainesville Sun	Alachua	Alachua	Gainesville	FL	28,378	Below-freezing weather is sending Alachua County parents scrambling for long-sleeved shirts that fit within the school district's uniform policy, local retailers say, but many of them are finding nearly empty shelves.	http://www.gainesville.com/article/20101203/articles/101209857		
12/1/10	The Daily Item	Lynn	Essex	Lynn	MA	13,273	Parents interviewed last week said they support a proposal to implement a dress code in Lynn public schools.	http://www.thedailyitemoflynn.com/articles/2010/11/29/news/news02.txt		
11/18/10	KFVS 12 Heartland News	Sikeston R-6	Scott	Sikeston	MO	3,606	A Missouri law in effect since August says public school districts may require students to wear uniforms, or enforce a student dress code. The district's Citizens Advisory Committee met this week to talk about several things and among them is implementing school uniforms.	http://www.kfvs12.com/Globa/vstory.asp?S=13533655		
11/18/10	NJ.com	Denville Township	Morris	Denville	NJ	1,976	Results from a recent school district survey reveal that a majority of residents are in favor of a stricter dress code or school mandated uniforms.	http://www.nj.com/news/local/index.ssf/2010/11/denville_school_survey_respond.html		
11/17/10	WFCourier.com	Waterloo	Black Hawk	Waterloo	IA	10,607	Committee tweaks proposed Waterloo Schools' dress code	http://wfcourier.com/news/local/article_5896647c-f234-11df-ad8d-001cc4c03286.html		
11/10/10	ConnectAmarillo.com	Amarillo	Potter	Amarillo	TX	31,005	A few panhandle schools are fighting behavioral problems in the classroom by using a dress code .	http://www.connectamarillo.com/news/story.aspx?list=-home/lists/search&id=539728		

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11/9/10	Citizen-Times.com	Asheville City	Buncombe	Asheville	NC	3,738	The board has been discussing the idea of changes to clothing regulations since 2008. In early 2010, a task force was formed. The group, which comprised students, parents and school staff, conducted site visits at schools that have standardized clothing, researched literature on the subject and took surveys of interested groups. Gene Bell, Asheville City Schools board chairman, said he and the board will review the material and discuss it at the next board meeting. He expected the board would set a timeline at the meeting on when the board would make a decision.	http://www.citizen-times.com/article/2010311090039		
10/31/10	Vvdailypress.com	Adelanto	San Bernardino	Adelanto	CA	8,249	the Adelanto School District Governing Board plans to seek parent input on implementing uniforms district-wide.	http://www.vvdailypress.com/news/school-22670-adelanto-uniforms.html		
10/31/10	Rochester DemocratandChronicle.com	Rochester City	Monroe	Rochester	NY	32,973	Rochester Early College International High School required uniforms for the 2010 school year	http://www.democratandchronicle.com/article/20101031/NEWS01/10310366/More-public-schools-require-kids-in-uniforms		
10/29/10	Sweetwater Reporter	Sweetwater ISD	Nolan	Sweetwater	TX	2,357	School administration discussed the possibilities of standard attire at a public forum	http://www.sweetwaterreporter.com/content/view/294519/1/		
10/27/10	North Jersey.com	Cedar Grove Township	Essex	Cedar Grove	NJ	1,595	The Cedar Grove Board of Education unanimously rejected a proposed school uniform policy	http://www.northjersey.com/news/state/elections/105860218_After_much_public_debate_school_board_dashes_a_district_uniform_policy_5-0.html		
10/22/10	DesMoinesRegister.com	Waterloo	Black Hawk	Waterloo	IA	10,607	Waterloo school leaders went too far with a dress code that dictates what students must wear to school, a state judge ruled Thursday.	http://www.desmoinesregister.com/article/20101022/NEWS02/10220365/1004/		
10/18/10	Masslive.com	Springfield	Hampden	Springfield	MA	25,360	committee approves sweatshirts, cardigans as part of school uniform	http://www.masslive.com/news/index.ssf/2010/10/springfield_school_committee_a_1.html		
10/14/10	Register Citizen	Torrington	Litchfield	Torrington	CT	4,636	Torrington school board drops talks on proposed uniforms for students	http://www.registercitizen.com/articles/2010/10/14/news/doc4cb6876f47997107520482.txt		
8/30/10	Northjersey.com	Paterson Eastside High	Passaic	Paterson	NJ	1,731	At Paterson's Eastside High School, where last year severe discipline problems and violence caused major disruptions, school uniforms are part and parcel of Superintendent Donnie W. Evans' ambitious plan to remake the oft-troubled school into three distinct academies — each with its own colors, its own curriculum and its own uniforms.	http://www.northjersey.com/news/opinions/101776708_Code_khaki.html		

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8/30/10	Northjersey.com	Passaic City	Passaic	Passaic	NJ	12,626	Passaic city schools and its Board of Education have made the full commitment before the first day of classes, requiring all 14,000 students to begin wearing uniforms this year. Longtime school board member Vincent Capuana hopes the uniforms will cut down on the saggy-pants look that has become so popular in recent decades. Passaic's dress code is pretty straightforward: Boys will wear khaki or navy pants with a polo, button-down or turtleneck shirt; girls will have a choice of pants, skirts, skorts or jumpers, along with tops in the same colors. Both boys and girls will be required to wear simple black shoes.	http://www.northjersey.com/news/opinions/101776708_Code_khaki.html		
8/30/10	Northjersey.com	Lyndhurst Township	Bergen	Lyndhurst	NJ	2264	In Lyndhurst, school officials and parents continue to give the idea of uniforms a serious look. Assistant Superintendent Tracey Stellato has cited the successes of other nearby districts that use uniforms, including Kearny, and has offered the down economy as one reason to consider a uniform policy.	http://www.northjersey.com/news/opinions/101776708_Code_khaki.html		
8/29/10	Readingeagle.com	Wyomissing Area SD	Berks	Wyomissing	PA	1,821	School board members have formed a committee to study the pros and cons. The idea is preliminary, and board members do not have a time frame for making a decision.	http://readingeagle.com/article.aspx?id=244829		
8/29/10	Orlando Sentinel	Osceola	Osceola	Kissimmee	FL	51,941	Rosemont is one of at least 10 local public schools that started the 2010-11 school year with new, or newly emphasized, uniform dress codes. These schools join dozens of others that already have uniforms, including all those in the Osceola County school district.	http://www.orlandosentinel.com/news/education/os-school-uniforms-082410-2-20100818,0,2923653.story		
8/29/10	Orlando Sentinel	Rosemont Elementary	Orange	Orlando	FL	858	Rosemont is one of at least 10 local public schools that started the 2010-11 school year with new, or newly emphasized, uniform dress codes. These schools join dozens of others that already have uniforms, including all those in the Osceola County school district.	http://www.orlandosentinel.com/news/education/os-school-uniforms-082410-2-20100818,0,2923653.story		
8/27/10	Sentinel and Enterprise	Oakmont Regional HS	Worcester	Ashburnham	MA	752	"The dress code is no different then before," said Oakmont Principal Dave Uminski. "We are simply defining what is not acceptable, so all students, teachers and parents know." School officials said the dress code crackdown has been fueled in part by the students themselves. "We've had a number of students seriously discuss school uniforms because they feel pressured to dress in ways they're not comfortable -- to the point where they actually prefer school uniforms," Smith said Thursday. "However, we're not ready to go to that step."	http://www.sentinelandenterprise.com/local/ci_15911533		

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8/25/10	NWTimes.com	Portage Township	Porter	Portage	IN	8,543	The district's board released results Monday of a parent survey taken during registration in July. The results indicate -- by a slight margin -- parents don't favor having their children wear uniforms to school. School Board President Terry Hufford said he wanted to bring the issue to a conclusion Monday and reach a consensus officials no longer need to discuss the issue. Superintendent Mike Berta said nearly 45 percent of parents who answered the survey said they did not want uniforms; 41 percent preferred some sort of uniforms; 14 percent did not respond. Nearly 4,000 families responded to the survey.	http://www.nwtimes.com/news/local/porter/portage/article_59bb260a-b8d9-50e1-a270-6c5881dac382.html		
8/25/10	WAFF.com	Huntsville City	Madison	Huntsville	AL	23,205	Huntsville city schools are considering the requirement of school uniforms system-wide. The current policy is open ended, meaning each school sets their dress code.	http://www.waff.com/Global/story.asp?S=13046422		
8/25/10	The Call	Woonsocket	Providence	Woonsocket	RI	6,248	The uncertainty over whether the school department will have a mandatory school uniform policy in place for the start of school next week had some parents at odds with the School Committee on Wednesday. A group of four parents attending the meeting questioned why they need to buy uniforms with the policy's implementation is currently under the cloud of an American Civil Liberties Union complaint and also detailed their troubles in acquiring some of the clothes their children must wear.	http://www.woonsocketcall.com/content/view/187279/1/		
8/24/10	news on 6.com	Tulsa	Tulsa	Tulsa	OK	41,195	TPS says most of the schools receiving federal money for low-income students also have clothes closets. And the district's partners in education, local businesses and churches, have helped during this transition by donating new and gently used uniforms.	http://www.newson6.com/global/story.asp?s=13039287		
8/24/10	Pharos-Tribune	Fairview Elementary	Cass	Logansport	IN	430	, Principal Chris Hess believes a pilot program launched last year at Fairview Elementary School has helped to even the playing field for students from different socioeconomic backgrounds, and she says the school saw fewer reports of bullying and better student morale.	http://pharostribune.com/editions/x531502773/Fairview-pilot-program-shows-promise		
8/20/10	WCF Courier	Waterloo	Black Hawk	Waterloo	IA	10,590	One topic that East students had a definite opinion on was the restricted dress code , another major change they are adjusting to this fall. The two other high schools, two district elementaries and two alternative programs based out of the Longfellow building have implemented it. Other district schools will implement it next fall.	http://wfcourier.com/news/local/article_Occ7df4-0a7a-5e06-b87b-ce93a12e1574.html		

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8/1/10	Tennessean.com	Sumner	Sumner	Gallatin	TN	26,485	Parents, students and faculty members are being asked to participate in a survey that will help the school board decide if students should wear uniforms to school. The survey is part of an 18-month-long study to determine how the community feels about adopting uniforms or a "standardized dress" code. The survey will be distributed to parents in registration packets when school begins, but students will also get a say in the matter. The survey asks if respondents accept free or reduced-price lunches, which will help the school system determine if lower income families feel more strongly about the issue than families with higher incomes.	http://www.tennessean.com/article/20100801/NEWS01/8010324/Sumner+County+Briefs++Sumner+officials+adopt+long-range+growth+plan		
8/1/10	The Dispatch	Starkville	Oktibbeha	Starkville	MS	4,075	Students in new school uniforms will be arriving at new times and following new class schedules once the school year begins in the Starkville School District, Aug. 5. This is the first time Starkville public schools have required uniforms, an action the school board decided in late spring based on Superintendent Judy Couey's recommendation. Sudduth Elementary, which houses kindergarten through second grade, requires collared shirts in white, black or yellow. Black or khaki pants, shorts, skorts, skirts or capris are allowed. Henderson Ward Stewart Elementary, which includes grades three through five, requires its students to wear black, gold or white collared shirts and black or khaki pants, shorts, skorts, skirts or capri pants. Armstrong Middle School students in grades six through eight, must wear collared shirts in black, yellow or white. Black or khaki pants, shorts, skirts or capris are allowed. Students at the high school must wear collared shirts of black, gray or white with black or khaki pants, shorts, skirts or capris. The dress code requires belts be work with pants that have belt loops, and does not allow warm-up pants, wind pants, cargo pants or shorts with multiple large	http://www.cdispatch.com/news/article.asp?aid=7173		

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7/31/10	Greenville Advocate Online	Butler	Butler	Greenville	AL	3,379	The BOE approved an addition to the Uniform Dress Code at their special called meeting on Thursday. The addition will allow students to wear school-sponsored polo shirts and sweatshirts purchased from the school. The new shirts will include a polo-style shirt, originally designed with two or three buttons (no alterations allowed) featuring a collar and no pockets, and a sweatshirt, also pullover style, with no hood. This will give our students the option to wear a sweatshirt or shirt comprised of their school colors, to help promote a sense of pride and belonging to our students,' said superintendent Darren Douthitt. Black polo shirts and sweatshirts with a gold embroidered school logo (one logo for all schools) will be available for the Greenville schools (W.O. Parmer Elementary, Greenville Elementary, Greenville Middle School and Greenville High School). At Georgiana School, students may wear navy polos and sweatshirts with a white embroidered school logo, and McKenzie School students, navy polos and sweatshirts with a white embroidered school logo.	http://www.greenvilleadvocate.com/news/2010/jul/29/school-logo-shirts-added-uniform-dress-code-county/		
7/30/10	The Two Rivers Times	Red Bank	Monmouth	Red Bank	NJ	842	The Board of Education last week adopted a school-wide dress code that requires students to wear khaki pants, shorts, skirts or 'skorts' (similar to culottes), and tops in either solid red, white or black. 'That is the extent of the kind of uniform,' that will be required, Superintendent of Schools Laura Morana said this week.	http://www.tworivertimes.com/issues/100730/news7.php		
7/29/10	Herald Dispatch	Cabell	Cabell	Huntington	WV	12,346	Editorial re benefits of school uniforms. The Parent-Teacher Organization has been encouraged to survey parents to determine whether there is majority support for a school uniform policy. The voluntary dress code was discussed at the Cabell County Board of Education's July 20 meeting. PTO co-presidents Cindy Legg and Heather Parker maintain that uniforms could be a cheaper option for parents, as well as providing some social benefits as well. A survey in early May got 102 responses, of which 58 were in favor of the voluntary policy. That survey isn't a complete view of what parents think at the school though, because there will be an estimated 400 students at the combined school this fall.	http://www.herald-dispatch.com/opinions/x1334911336/Editorial-Proposed-dress-code-has-merits-worth-considering		
7/21/10	Big Bear Grizzly	Bear Valley Unified	San Bernardino	Big Bear Lake	CA	448	A voluntary Learning Clothes Policy takes effect with the start of the school year, according to Jeanette Haston, Big Bear Elementary School principal. The learning clothes, or uniforms as the terms are used interchangeably, are either the school's T-shirt or a plain white, navy blue or gray shirt with navy, khaki or white pants or shorts. For girls the bottoms can be a jumper or a skirt, pants or shorts.	http://www.bigbeargrizzly.net/articles/2010/07/21/news/doc4c4640a1d9fd5348348844.txt		

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7/20/10	wjhg.com	Bay District	Bay	Panama City	FL	26,236	Before the Monday evening workshop, the board appeared poised to adopt a uniform policy for the next school year. The question was what type of uniform would it be. School Board members listed several requirements they would like to see, including two strong requests from many students. The board is now considering the use of sandals, flip-flops, as well as cargo pants as long as they meet all of the other dress code requirements. The proposed uniform policy is much more lax than many administrators had initially hoped for. Students will be allowed to wear a wide variety of tops, including turtlenecks, crew necks, collared blouses, and golf type shirts. School officials are happy, however, about the length of skirts and shorts. They must touch the knees. Slacks, Jumpers and Capri pants will be allowed. The board members are still mulling over several issues like tucking in shirts and requiring belts. The school uniform issue will come up for discussion again at this coming Wednesday's School Board meeting.	http://www.wjhg.com/schools/headlines/1606306.html		
7/18/10	Examiner.com	Winona Separate School District	Montgomery	Winona	MS	1,303	The Winona School system requires school uniforms for all students. A list of dress code requirements is also available online here for all grades. Dress codes have strict rules so be sure your child is dressed appropriately from head to toe when heading out for the new school year. Article lists retailers for uniforms	http://www.examiner.com/x-54414-Winona-Home--Living-Examiner-y2010m7d18-Winona-is-preparing-for-the-1st-day-of-school?cid=edition-by-channel-rss-Jackson-Home_and_Living		
7/17/10	Gainesville Sun	Alachua	Alachua	Gainesville	FL	28,378	A sign painted on the 34th Street Wall in Gainesville suggests parents make a phone call to opt out of the uniform dress code approved by the Alachua County School Board for the upcoming year starting Aug. 23. In addition to urging parents to say "no" to uniforms, the sign also lists the main number for the school district's administrative offices. Diana Lagotic, director of elementary curriculum in charge of drafting the new policy for the school system, said "there is no opt-out option." There is a clause in the policy that reads: "The superintendent, in consultation with the principal, may waive the school uniform policy on a case-by-case basis for reasons such as, but not limited to, medical necessity or sincerely held religious belief." In an earlier interview, School Board Chairwoman Ginger Childs said the uniform dress code will be implemented for the 2010-2011 school year and the situation will be evaluated in spring 2011.	http://www.gainesville.com/article/20100717/articles/100719588		

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7/12/10	wjhg.com Channel 7 NBC	Bay District	Bay	Panama City	FL	26,236	Several charity organizations have been collecting and distributing school uniforms to help take the pinch out of the pocket as parents purchase clothes for the upcoming year. But that hasn't stopped the flow of complaints, everything from colors to quality to cost to personal expression. Some people just aren't happy about the policy, but school board members say parents have had ample time to prepare for the change. They also say the dress code is an extremely relaxed version of a uniform compared to other school systems. Board members say the positives of school uniforms far outweigh the negatives, from safety to convenience. If you haven't had a chance to review the school uniform policy for next year, everything you need to know if posted on the bay district school site. That address is www.bay.k12.fl.us .	http://www.wjhg.com/schools/headlines/3339206.html		
7/8/10	Fox23.com	Tulsa	Tulsa	Tulsa	OK	596	McLain will be the first high school in the Tulsa District to require uniforms for all students. The policy has garnered mixed reviews from the community.	http://www.fox23.com/news/local/story/Uniforms-For-McLain-HS/mzHUMjVgLEc3mqLed4l9aw.csp?rss=77		
7/7/10	Tulsa World	Tulsa	Tulsa	Tulsa	OK	596	McLain High School for Science and Technology will be the first high school in the Tulsa district to require uniforms for all students when classes begin in August. The Tulsa school board voted 4-2 on Tuesday to approve the school's new dress code , which was sought by Principal Ebony Johnson and supported by Tulsa Public Schools Superintendent Keith Ballard. McLain High School for Science and Technology will be the first high school in the Tulsa district to require uniforms for all students when classes begin in August. The Tulsa school board voted 4-2 on Tuesday to approve the school's new dress code, which was sought by Principal Ebony Johnson and supported by Tulsa Public Schools Superintendent Keith Ballard.	http://www.tulsaworld.com/news/article.aspx?subjectid=332&articleid=20100707_19_A11_McLain142309&rss_Ink=11	Ebony Johnson, Principal: "We believe that it will be life-changing for our students at McLain," Johnson said. "It is time that we assist them with getting ready for college, and it is time that we assist them with career readiness. It also sets the culture and the climate for the school."	
7/3/10	WWAY Newschannel 3 ABC	Brunswick	Brunswick	Leland	NC	682	In a unanimous vote, the Brunswick County School Board voted in favor of the uniforms. Revisions have to be approved by the school board before they're finalized, but the uniforms will likely be polos of any color and dark bottoms. On occasion, students will be allowed to wear jeans and school spirit.	3 Board approves Leland MS uniforms		

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6/23/10	Register Citizen	Torrington	Litchfield	Torrington	CT	4,756	Board of education members will discuss a timeline for the eventual implementation of school uniforms in Torrington Public Schools. Members of the Policy Committee will meet tonight at the central office building tonight at 6:30 p.m. The topic, a controversial subject among parents, administrators and board members, was originally discussed at a May 24 policy committee meeting. The talk then was met with widespread criticism from parents who spoke about the financial impact such a requirement would place on families. Superintendent Christopher Leone said in previous board meetings that some of the problems that exist in both the middle school and the high school would be lessened, and the need for a school uniform wouldn't exist if the district's dress code was enforced.	http://www.registercitizen.com/articles/2010/06/23/news/0c4c227d36d0f80364785522.txt		
6/22/10	Killeen Daily Herald	Killeen ISD	Bell	Killeen	TX	645	Eighth-graders at Rancier Middle School in Killeen donated nearly 250 clothing items during their last week of middle school to ensure all students have access to clean school uniforms when they attend class each day. She decided to ask the school's eighth-graders, who will not have a standardized dress code in high school, to donate their gently used clothing to their younger peers. As a reward, the eighth-graders received a free dress day on the last day of school.	http://www.kdhnews.com/news/story.aspx?s=42464		
6/20/10	Norwich Bulletin	Norwich	New London	Norwich	CT	3,995	Though still in its infancy, Norwich's school uniform policy has been considered an "overwhelming" success by school officials. "It's in its implementation and practice year," Superintendent Abby Dolliver said. "It has worked out well for us so far; people are very pleased." The policy was introduced in all nine elementary schools at the beginning of the 2009-10 school year after a vote by the policy committee in spring 2009. It will be implemented in Norwich middle schools next year.	http://www.norwichbulletin.com/news/education/x1501908085/Norwich-school-uniform-policy-delights-officials		
6/18/10	TheDay.com	Norwich Free Academy	New London	Norwich	CT	2,450	The school's new dress code will prohibit Austin's shorts and T-shirt as well as short skirts, low-cut tops, pajamas and require appropriate footwear.	http://www.theday.com/article/20100618/NWS01/306189878/1079/rss15		
6/18/10	Macon.com	Howard Middle School	Bibb	Macon	GA	1,062	The school board also approved a new Spanish class at Bloomfield Middle School and denied dress code revisions for Howard High School. Howard's School Council asked students be allowed to wear jeans, solid pants and add striped or patterned shirts. Some board members said they wanted to consider adopting more stringent dress codes, with uniforms for all high schools to combat dress code violations.	http://www.macon.com/2010/06/18/1166907/bibb-school-board-approves-new.html		
6/18/10	Macon.com	Williams Elementary	Bibb	Macon	GA	341	The board did approve school uniforms at Williams Elementary this fall.	http://www.macon.com/2010/06/18/1166907/bibb-school-board-approves-new.html		

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6/16/10	PJStar.com	SD 150	Peoria	Peoria	IL	14,548	School officials and a handful of parents are revamping the dress code at the district's high schools to address inappropriate fashion trends and possibly beef up consequences, but more importantly to make a code that is uniform. "If the dress code is not adhered to, we will look at uniforms next year," School Board member Martha Ross told the district's parent advisory committee she chairs on Wednesday. Complaints about student attire have been voiced by administrators, staff, members of the public, parents and School Board members, many saying that high school boys are wearing "saggy" pants and girls are wearing "too revealing" clothing.	http://www.pjstar.com/news/trcounty/x1372400688/School-panel-eyes-uniform-dress-code		
6/14/10	Northjersey.com	Lyndhurst Township	Bergen	Lyndhurst	NJ	2,224	Lyndhurst is the latest public school district that is taking up the controversial topic of school uniforms, a concept that has been broached locally, but never embraced in full by school students, parents or boards of education. The district announced last week that it was accepting until June 7 applications of volunteers who wish to serve on a School Uniform Committee for the purpose of discussing and polling the community regarding uniforms.	http://www.northjersey.com/news/96029214_Students_could_go_back_to_school_with_new_look.html		
6/14/10	NWTimes.com	Portage Township	Porter	Portage	IN	8,543	Portage Township Schools board members agreed to ask parents one question during this summer's registration: Do you want uniforms for K-12 students? At a meeting Wednesday night, members agreed that would be the only question regarding the issue, which has been before the board for more than a year. But board members aren't certain whether knowing the wishes of the majority will bring an end to the issue. 'This is not a ballot. It is a survey,' School Board President Terry Hufford said. What happens with the information -- whether to drop the issue or move ahead with uniforms -- will be up to the board after the data is gathered.	http://www.nwtimes.com/news/local/porter/article_ad4d8c32-7af9-5296-b4c2-91791b179d75.html		
6/12/10	WCFCourier.com	Waterloo	Black Hawk	Waterloo	IA	10,590	students and parents continue to protest district wide dress code	http://wcfcourier.com/news/local/article_a5569506-75bc-11df-97d5-001cc4c002e0.html		
6/10/10	Union-Recorder	Baldwin HS	Baldwin	Milledgeville	GA	1,403	Two passionate Baldwin High School seniors represented their entire student body during Monday's Board of Education work session with their thoughts, beliefs and a petition signed by 150 high school students against the new dress code going into effect next school year. Seniors Arshay Jones and Kierra Spikes rounded up students in all grade levels to sign a petition within three days after the school board approved the school uniform protocol during last month's meeting. High schoolers who signed the petition are requesting additional colors to be added to the red, black and white uniform policy.	http://unionrecorder.com/local/x1910031134/High-School-students-hoping-to-tweak-new-uniform-policy		

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6/10/10	Big Bear Grizzly	Baldwin Lane & Big Bear Elementary	San Bernardino	Bear Lake	CA	448 & 468	Two Bear Valley Unified School District elementary schools sent parents surveys on the issue. Baldwin Lane and Big Bear elementary schools asked parents and guardians if they would support a school uniform policy, or as Big Bear Elementary calls the attire, "learning clothes." Uniforms at Baldwin Lane Elementary would consist of blue jeans and/or khaki pants or skirts (for girls) and polo shirts with the school logos. Shirts would be in a variety of colors, reasonably priced and available locally. Big Bear Elementary has not released a description of the school's proposed uniform. Surveys are still being accepted. The school uniform discussion is in the preliminary phases. It is not a district-wide movement.	http://www.bigbeargrizzly.net/articles/2010/06/09/news/doc4c0ee9955650a083306024.txt		
6/6/10	WCJB	Alachua	Alachua	Gainesville	FL	28,378	Alachua County School Board members voted tonight to require uniforms in school. Board members voted to require all students, K-12, wear a uniform... but they made the uniforms less restrictive. Instead of only being allowed to wear a navy or white polo shirt and pants... students may now wear any solid color. They say the new policy will be more appropriate.. and less distracting.. in the classroom. The new dress policy also prohibits students from wearing clothing that is too small or too large... with any logo except their school's.	http://www.wcjb.com/news/7001/school-board-votes-for-uniforms		
5/28/10	NWCN.com	Meridian Middle School	Ada	Meridian	ID	1,130	Meridian Middle School began talking about the idea of going to a school uniform last year, but after parental feedback, administrators decided to go with a dress code instead. The school will notify parents over the summer with the specific details.	http://www.nwcn.com/news/ido/meridian-school-will-enforce-new-dress-code-in-the-fall-95132929.html		
5/15/10	App.com	Red Bank	Monmouth	Red Bank	NJ	842	By October, public school students could have a uniform look, dressed in polo shirts and khaki pants under a dress code policy that may be voted on in June. The policy, which the borough Board of Education last week directed its attorney to draft, would require students to dress uniformly, but stops short of requiring specific school uniforms. The policy would be flexible, allowing students to wear sweaters or turtle necks in the winter and for girls to substitute a khaki skirt for pants	http://www.app.com/article/20100515/NEWS/5150310/1001&source=rss	"You see it in private schools. It (a dress code) sets the stage for how students behave," she said. "We've met with families, did research and the Parent-Teacher Organization has collected data."	Laura Morana, superintendent of schools.
5/10/10	9news.com	Lincoln HS	Denvre	Denver	CO	1,605	Lincoln HS instituted a uniform policy to cut down on gang violence 3 years ago. Esquibel feared that he would start losing students who did not want to comply with the new rules. The reality is in those three years Lincoln's population has increased from 1,400 students to nearly 2,000. Academic performances improved the attendance rate has increased. Esquibel did want students to have some flexibility. They can wear a variety of shirts from polos to hoodies to t-shirts to tops with different designs. He says as long as its official Lincoln gear, a student can wear it.	http://www.9news.com/news/education/article.aspx?storyid=138504&catid=129	Our fights have decreased. Gang involvement is virtually non-existent, said Esquibel. Esquibel knows that uniforms aren't the sole reason for those changes. But, he says, its part of his effort to change the entire atmosphere at a school that was once considered troubled. He says it gives administrators leverage. "If a kid does not have their uniform shirt on, the basic question is, 'Do you want to be here?'" said Esquibel.	Antonio Esquibel

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5/8/10	Courier-Post	Gloucester	Camden	Gloucester	NJ	2,125	The school board has decided to drop a proposed school uniform policy, citing threats of litigation from parents in opposition. A public hearing was set for Monday to discuss the proposal, which could have required parents to buy uniforms at the start of the 2010-11 school year. But that meeting's been canceled, the board said in letters mailed to parents on Thursday. 'Everybody on the school district's Uniform Committee, even though they are still strong supporters of the uniform concept, also realize the fiscal situation that the state and the district is in. They don't want to spend money on a legal defense if a challenge were to take place,' Superintendent Thomas D. Seddon said Friday. Last fall, in response to queries from parents, the school board established a committee to study the policy. A district poll found that 62 percent of parents and 82 percent of staff and administrators supported a unified dress code.	http://www.courierpostonline.com/article/20100508/NEWS01/5080354/-1/newsfront2/Gloucester-Twp.-drops-school-uniform-proposal		
5/3/10	Teen Vogue						School uniform provider French Toast today announced the launch of a \$15,000 contest designed to encourage children to show their individuality and what makes them special and unique in their school uniforms . Children are encouraged to send in videos or essays with pictures – showing them clad in their uniforms – that illustrate and describe why they are exceptional. The grand prize is \$10,000 in cash, plus a donation of \$5,000 in French Toast school uniform vouchers to the winning student's school.	http://www.teenvogue.com/style/blogs/fashion/2010/05/does-your-school-have-a-dress-code-then-you-could-win-10000.html		
4/29/10	Lake County News-Sun	Waukegan	Lake	Waukegan	IL	17,046	The results of last week's Internet survey regarding the possibility of school uniforms at Waukegan High showed little participation but also little support for the concept from either students or parents.	http://www.suburbanchicagonews.com/newssun/news/2213596%2C5_1_WA29_WAUKSCHOOL_S1-100429.article	"Let's not go backwards 80 years and wear uniforms again," district parent Sandra Williams told the board, adding that she wondered "how this can possibly be the district's priority" during the ongoing budget crisis.	
4/29/10	Daily Local News	Coatesville	Chester	Coatesville	PA	6,805	The Coatesville Area School Board decided to continue the uniform dress code at Friendship Elementary School, but voted against the expansion of the policy at the district's other five elementary schools.	http://www.dailylocal.com/articles/2010/04/29/news/srv0000008151324.txt		

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4/28/10	Community Times Dispatch	Colleton	Colleton	Colleton	SC	6,377	A majority vote of Colleton County School Board officials Tuesday night approved a student dress code policy requiring students in all grades to wear an approved school uniform beginning next school year. Students are to wear plain shirts with a collar. Shirts may have school-approved logos. Shirts may not exceed one size larger or smaller than necessary as determined by the school administrator. Shirts must be tucked in. Exceptions may be made for preschool and kindergarten students as needed by administration. All bottoms must be solid khaki, black or navy. Pants, skirts, shorts, jumpers, Capri pants and shorts must be free of graphics and embroidery; with the exception of small labels. They must not have insignias, words or pictures. Shorts, skirts, shorts and jumpers will be no shorter than knee-length when standing. Cargo-style pants or shorts are not permitted. Clothing are not to exceed one size larger than necessary as determined by the school administrator. Baggy or sagging pants or shorts are not permitted. "Low rise" clothing is not permitted. Bottoms (excluding jumpers) shall be worn at the natural waistline and	http://www.ctdispatch.com/?p=5774		
4/28/10	Times Journal	DeKalb	Dekalb	Rainville	AL	8,758	The non-binding poll closed on April 22, and the results have now been tallied. Of 695 parents participating, 352 voted in favor of uniforms and 343 voted against, according to Assistant Superintendent Gary Talley. Warren has said he would support an "appropriate uniform code" similar to what other school systems around the state have adopted. He said school uniforms, if ultimately approved, would likely take the form of khaki pants and shirts in respective school colors.	http://times-journal.com/story.lasso?ewcd=9470483562aacaf4&-session=FPTJ:D149FE770c4ea20363yiN3F51B45		
4/27/10	Hometown Annapolis	Annapolis HS	Anne Arundel	Annapolis	MD	1,613	Parents have to approve the measure, with student input. If it goes through, Annapolis would become the first public high school in the county to require uniforms, which usually comprise polo shirts and khaki pants or skirts. Eighteen public schools in the county currently require school uniforms, but Annapolis High would be the first to require students beyond eighth grade to wear them. The following schools require uniforms: Ten elementary schools: Eastport, Georgetown East, Germantown, Jessup, Maryland City, Meade Heights, Mills-Parole, Quarterfield, Seven Oaks and Tyler Heights. Four middle schools: Annapolis, Bates, MacArthur and Meade. Two alternative schools: Mary Moss Academy and J. Albert Adams Academy. Two charter schools: Chesapeake Science Point and Monarch Academy.	http://www.hometownannapolis.com/news/sch/2010/04/27-15/School-uniforms-proposed-for-Annapolis-High.html		
4/27/10	Suburban Chicago News	Troy	Will	Joliet	IL	4,181	Troy School District parents must wait another month to learn if uniforms will be required for the 2010-11 school year or if the current dress code will be made more stringent.	http://www.suburbanchicagonews.com/heraldnews/news/204044%2C4_1_JQ27_TROY_S1-100427.article		

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4/25/10	Suburban Chicago News	Waukegan High School	Lake	Waukegan	IL	4,278	Parents of Waukegan High School students have been asked to participate in an Internet survey this weekend to gauge whether or not they think the school should require students to wear uniforms. The district's 14 elementary schools and five middle schools already have uniform dress codes that include wearing some combination of white, navy blue, khaki or black clothing.	http://www.suburbanchicagonews.com/newssun/news/2195666%2C5_1_WA24_UNIFORM_S1-100424.article		
4/21/10	SouthCoastToday.com	Hastings Middle School	Bristol	Fairhaven	MA	518	Opinion piece opposing mandatory uniform policy being enacted at Hastings Middle School in Fairhaven .	http://www.southcoasttoday.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20100421/OPINION/4210322	As for student dress, I believe that the middle school staff needs to involve the parents when a student is inappropriately attired. It has been the practice at the school to issue "the big, ugly shirt" to any student breaking the dress code. This archaic practice is tantamount to placing a dunce cap on a child's head — the purpose being trying to humiliate the child into compliance. When a student is in violation of the dress code, the school should call the parent and offer this choice: "Bring your child a proper change of clothes or we can issue a 'spirit wear' uniform for him/her to wear and bill you the cost."	
4/20/10	Gainesville Sun	Alachua	Alachua	Gainesville	FL	28,378	Following a lengthy discussion, Alachua County School Board members voted to schedule a public hearing for 6:30 p.m. on May 4 for a more in-depth look at the issue and to gain more feedback. A final vote is expected at the June 1 board meeting. The long-debated issue of district-wide uniforms returned to the School Board agenda following a March workshop. Board members, like many in Tuesday's audience, are split on uniforms and how strict to make the policy and at what grade levels.	http://www.gainesville.com/article/20100420/articles/100429928		
4/19/10	Greenville Advocate Online	Butler	Butler	Greenville	AL	3,379	Mandatory school uniforms for the 2010-11 school year. "A representative group of parents and some of our older students and teachers will meet soon with a uniform company to work out the particulars."	http://www.greenvilleadvocate.com/news/2010/apr/15/fort-dale-adopt-uniform-policy/		
4/19/10	WITN.com	Pitt	Pitt	Greenville	NC	22,835	The Pitt County Coalition for Educating Black Children says it is still awaiting word from federal officials on a complaint filed over the Pitt County Schools dress code policy. The group filed a complaint several months ago saying the way the dress code policy is enforced unfairly targets minorities. At a meeting Tuesday night, the group said it is still waiting for the U.S. Department of Education to make a determination on what it will do with the complaint.	http://www.witn.com/news/headlines/90727714.html		

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4/16/10	The Maui News	King Kekaulike High School	Maui	Pukalani	HI	1,354	An advisory panel at King Kekaulike High School found merit in a groundbreaking student uniform policy but held off recommending its adoption for next school year. School Community Council Chairperson Sadie Mossman, who also teaches biology to 10th-graders at King Kekaulike, said the panel decided to focus on encouraging students to "demonstrate responsibility" by adhering to the current school dress code and to hold off on recommending student uniforms to the school administration.	http://www.mauinews.com/page/content.detail/id/530570.html?nav=10		
4/15/10	YumaSun.com	Gweneth Ham Elementary School	Yuma	Yuma	AZ	547	Parent of a student at Gwyneth Ham Elementary School where a uniform policy was just implemented, writing in opposition to school uniforms.	http://www.yumasun.com/opinion/uniforms-57726-school-wear.html		
4/8/10	Tylerpaper.com	Henderson	Rusk	Henderson	TX	3,446	opinion against school uniforms	http://www.tylerpaper.com/article/20100409/OPINION02/4080398/-1/OPINION0305	We desire that the final school board vote be postponed because we believe many parents are unaware of the consequences the uniforms may have. For example, Texas state law requires that any school district requiring uniforms provide uniforms free of charge to students classified as "educationally challenged," which refers to a federal statute qualifying students for a free lunch program. And according to the district, 55 percent of Henderson students fall into that category. This could cost hundreds of thousands of dollars each year (\$175 per qualified student).	
4/8/10	WIFR.com	Freeport	Stephenson	Freeport	IL	4,283	Uniforms could be phased in during the next four years. 4th grade and younger may begin this fall, in 2011 8th grade and younger, the following year all but seniors, and in 2013 all grades. It's still unclear what the uniforms entail. While the board approves of the idea they're asking the committee for a full policy to be voted on.	http://www.wifr.com/news/headlines/90181357.html		
4/6/10	Times Journal	DeKalb	DeKalb	Rainsville	AL	8,758	Superintendent Charles Warren said an online survey is going up today on the school system's Web site to help gauge whether parents would support school uniforms . Warren said stronger dress codes for school employees are also being considered. "We've been looking at the dress codes and just wanted to get something that would gauge the feelings of parents as to how they feel about school uniforms," he said. "We decided to have a non-binding poll on our Web site so parents could go on and indicate a preference." "Before we go any further into looking into the possibility, we just wanted to know how parents feel. We think there are a lot of positives that outweigh the negatives." He said he would support an "appropriate uniform code" similar to what other school systems around the state have adopted.	http://times-journal.com/story.lasso?ewcd=0a1657a2a3f1c992&-session=FPTJ:D149FE770a0fa1D731xy21903AD		

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4/6/10	Register Citizen	Torrington	Litchfield	Torrington	CT	4,756	Students attending Oliver Wolcott Technical High School in Torrington will have new uniforms in the fall and Torrington public school students may not be far behind.	http://www.registercitizen.com/articles/2010/04/06/news/doc4bbab2373c60b171661411.txt		
4/4/10	Suburban Chicago News	Joliet	Will	Joliet	IL	10,466	The decision on whether Joliet Township High School students will be wearing uniforms next school year is up for a vote in April.	http://www.suburbanchicagoews.com/heraldnews/news/schools/2114223%2C4_1_JO21_DRESSCODE_S1-100321.article		
3/31/10	Mount Vernon News	Mount Vernon	Knox	Mount Vernon	OH	1,410	The dress code proposed for Mount Vernon High School permits black or khaki pants, shorts or skirts, and solid color shirts of oxford style, polo style or turtlenecks. Students are encouraged, but not required, to tuck in their shirts.	http://www.mountvernonnews.com/local/10/03/31/standardized-attire-popular		
3/31/10	Mount Vernon News	Reynoldsburg	Franklin	Reynoldsburg	OH	6,811	Reynoldsburg City Schools was the first public school district in Central Ohio to adopt a school uniform policy for students. Uniform policies define what students are allowed to wear to school, as opposed to a dress code, which merely prohibits certain items. The policy, referred to as Raider Wear, went into effect in August 2007, and applies to high school and junior high school students in grades seven and eight. Elementary and middle school students also have a dress code. Generally, junior high and high school students in Reynoldsburg may wear fitted, beige khaki, black, navy blue or brown belted dress pants with buttoned shirts in solid colors. No red, black or blue shirts are allowed. Shirts must be worn under sweaters, except for turtleneck sweaters, and should be tucked in.	http://www.mountvernonnews.com/local/10/03/31/standardized-attire-popular		
3/31/10	Mount Vernon News	Johnstown	Licking	Johnstown	OH	1,650	Johnstown High School adopted Johnnie Wear for this school year. Pants and shorts must be khaki, black or navy blue, and cannot be made of jeans, denim, sweat, velour or wind pant material. Shirts must be solid colors of red, gray white or black, and must be tucked in. Johnstown superintendent Damien Bawn said Johnnie Wear has been so successful at the high school the policy will be extended to the middle school for the 2010-11 school year.	http://www.mountvernonnews.com/local/10/03/31/standardized-attire-popular		
3/30/10	PublicOpinionOnline.com	Chambersburg	Franklin	Chambersburg	PA	8,736	The question of whether school uniforms should be part of the newly renovated Chambersburg Area Senior High School was discussed Monday night. The idea of uniforms was first addressed at a forum for the middle school in January, with many parents then stating that a uniform policy should be implemented from sixth through 12th grades. Reasons stated for considering the policy were to improve conduct while students are in school, decrease distractions related to inappropriate dress and eliminate clique-affiliated dress.	http://www.publicopiniononline.com/news/ci_14782947		

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3/30/10	Houston Public Radio	Yates High School	Harris	Houston	TX	1,333	Changing the dress policy was one of the first things Mumphy did when he took over at Yates last year. University of Houston professor Scott Imberman did a study recently on the effect of school uniforms on test scores and student behavior. He found things improved in almost every category.	http://app1.kuhf.org/houston-public-radio-news-display.php?articles_id=1269646135	'We did find improvements for girls in middle and high school in language scores and for both boys and girls we found improvements in math scores after a couple of years. It seems students also got in less serious trouble after the uniforms were implemented. After a couple years after the school adopts uniforms, we actually see a pretty substantial reduction in out of school suspensions.'	
3/29/10	Salisbury Post	Rowan-Salisbury	Rowan	Rowan-Salisbury and Kannapolis City	NC	21,190	Letter to the editor suggesting a loosening of dress code rules or dropping them altogether.	http://www.salisburypost.com/Opinion/032910-letters-monday	In my opinion, uniforms cause more problems than they fix. Children are still bullied, fights still occur, kids still misbehave and act immature. More kids who usually aren't in trouble get in trouble because of dress issues, and whether or not you choose to believe it, it will continue to happen unless we do something about it.	
3/27/10	WDAM	Lamar County	Lamar	Paris	TX	3,098	Our district does NOT endorse ANY retail store or school uniform company. The new dress code was made in a way where you could buy from a dollar store, retail store in the mall or a uniform company. It is not our intent to have any ONE company doing business with this new dress code.	http://www.wdam.com/Global/story.asp?S=12209426		
3/26/10	Local News 8	Blackfoot	Bingham	Blackfoot	ID	1,114	After several meetings and an online survey, the committee found a 50-50 split on whether the district should revise the current dress code, or go to a school uniform policy. The committee recommended to the school board that the dress code be revised so it's standard for all grades, and so it is easily enforced. Board members also said now is the wrong time to require a uniform because of the poor economy.	http://www.localnews8.com/Global/story.asp?S=12208055		
3/26/10	Morris Daily Herald	Channahon SD 17	Will	Channahon	IL	1,720	Board member Derek Breen raised the subject, saying he thought it might be worthwhile. Students are bullied and harassed because of the clothes they wear, he said, and having school uniforms might better put each student on a more-level playing field. ?It would promote a much healthier environment,? Breen said. Members discussed the pros and cons of the idea before Superintendent Dr. Karin Evans said the school code now states that, to require uniforms, the district must show there is a significant disruption or endangerment to the health and safety of students with the current dress code.	http://www.morrisdailyherald.com/articles/2010/03/25/79285329/index.xml		

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3/25/10	Woonsocket Call	Woonsocket	Providence	Woonsocket	RI	6,248	The uniform policy has been in the works for two years and members of the committee said the school department will now begin the formal process of notifying parents that a mandatory dress code for students will be in place when students return to classes in the fall. The definition of the new dress code included in the policy states students will wear pants, walking shorts, or skorts that are black or khaki and of a uniform style such as work pants or casual slacks.	http://www.woonsocketcall.com/content/view/130537/1/		
3/16/10	Gainesville Sun	Alachua County	Alachua	Gainesville	FL	28,378	School uniforms are again a topic of discussion for the Alachua County School Board, as the board considers requiring the district's more than 27,000 students to wear similar attire. During a workshop session on Tuesday evening, prior to the regular School Board meeting, the board asked that the issue be placed on an upcoming agenda for discussion. The next school board meeting is April 16. The board will not meet on April 6 which falls during Spring Break. It is expected the board will set a public hearing on the issue in May. Currently students at Duval, Idylwild, Lake Forest elementary schools and Horizon Center all wear uniforms. Students at the Professional Academies Magnet at Lofton wear uniform shirts of various colors, depending on the program. Waldo Community School and A. Quinn Jones Center are already planning to adopt school uniforms for the 2010-2011 school year	http://www.gainesville.com/article/20100316/articles/100319565		
3/15/10	Commercial Dispatch	Starkville	Oktibbeha	Starkville	MS	4,075	An attorney representing citizens opposed to a dress code in the Starkville School District filed an appeal Friday afternoon in Oktibbeha County Circuit Court. Attorney Daniel Tucker, of Booneville, filed the appeal, along with more than 270 affidavits signed by Starkville School District parents, students and community members. The group is seeking a temporary restraining order, a permanent injunction and other relief from the Starkville School District's board of trustees and Superintendent Judy Couey	http://www.cdispatch.com/news/article.asp?aid=5191		
3/14/10	Contra Costa Times	Antioch	Contra Costa	Antioch	CA	20,086	Antioch school trustees recently approved a resolution to bring its remaining schools without uniforms on board. The biggest buzz: That includes all its high schools, too, making it the first public school district in the East Bay to do this.	http://www.contracostatimes.com/antioch/ci_14667895?nlick_check=1	One fashionable fourth-grade teacher says: "Uniforms keep kids at their age level. I did not expect to see that and in this day and age where kids grow up too fast - it was a nice surprise."	

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3/13/10	Delmarvanow.com	Wicomico	Wicomico	Salisbury	MD	14,399	The dress code for Wicomico County public school students will be made more stringent and enforceable. An overhaul of the policy has resulted in a more specific and involved code for next year, a drastic change that educators believe will have a significant impact. After receiving approval from the Board of Education last year, Greenwood and Deal Island elementary schools implemented a dress code in a variety of colors and styles that parents are able to buy at stores like Walmart, Sears, J.C. Penney and Target. Students have the option of wearing navy blue, black or khaki pants, capris, skirts, shorts or jumpers that can be paired with a collared top in navy blue, light blue, burgundy or white.	http://c.moreover.com/click/here.pl?z2622286742&z=950243970	It evens the playing field and helps put the focus on learning, where it should be,' said Karen Linamen, principal of Deal Island Elementary.	
3/4/10	Commercial Dispatch	Starkville	Oktibbeha	Starkville	MS	4,075	Ten speakers and a full house showed up in polite and well-argued opposition to school uniforms, but the Starkville School District went against the apparent majority and voted unanimously on what they're calling a dress code policy.	http://c.moreover.com/click/here.pl?z2600277588&z=950243970		
3/4/10	Telegram.com	Fitchburg	Worcester	Fitchburg	MA	5331	In Fitchburg, school officials are still in the early stages of exploring the possibility of a uniform policy. Parent-teacher organizations have been asked to seek reactions from parents, and the high school's Student Council is surveying students. The School Committee will hold a meeting in the near future at which parents will be invited to offer their opinions. No date has been set for that meeting.	http://www.telegram.com/article/20100228/NEWS/2280402/1101	Some other cities in Massachusetts that have adopted school uniform policies say there are tangible benefits, both for students and for the school system. Azell M. Cavaan, spokesperson for the Springfield school system, for example, said that 26,000-student system adopted such a policy last year and has seen improved safety and better learning.	
2/27/10	Contra Costa Times	Antioch	Contra Costa	Antioch	CA	20,086	Antioch's school board agreed Friday to require uniforms for all grades, becoming the first public school district in the East Bay to make such a fashion statement at the high school level. State education code allows parents to opt out of the policy. Because it also requires parents be notified of policy changes at least six months before implementation, high school uniforms would likely kick in next January after the schools bring their desired attire before the board for approval, Associate Superintendent Marsha Brown said.	http://www.contracostatimes.com/bay-area-news/ci_14481821		
2/26/10	Sentinel and Enterprise	Fitchburg	Worcester	Fitchburg	MA	5331	Fitchburg Schools Superintendent Andre Ravenelle told the School Committee that a telephone survey talking to parents about whether they wanted a mandatory school uniform/dress code policy found that 71 percent of people in Spanish-speaking homes supported the idea, and 53 percent of those in English-speaking households also supported the proposal.	http://www.sentinelandenterprise.com/editorial/ci_14468593		

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2/25/10	Inside Bay Area	Antioch	Contra Costa	Antioch	CA	20,086	School Board vote scheduled for Friday to decide whether to implement a uniform policy for kindergarten through eighth grade for the 2010-11 school year. All but four of Antioch's 18 public elementary and middle schools have school uniforms, requiring students to come to class outfitted in polo shirts and khakis or skirts. The state education code allows parents to opt out of the policy.	http://www.insidebayarea.com/top-stories/ci_14467666?source=rss		
2/21/10	Times-Georgian	Carroll County	Carroll	Carrollton	GA	15,080	Board of Education members on Thursday received the results of a survey of the county's middle and high school principals about the proposed dress code and of the 14 administrators nine either supported the proposal or supported some changes to the system's current dress code. While the board members support the spirit of the proposal, they worry that getting too specific will cause more problems. Burton-Callaway agreed there are things that may need to be tweaked in the system's policy, and several middle and high school administrators suggested there could be some improvements in the policy.	http://www.times-georgian.com/view/full_story/6419717/article-Dress-code-changes-could-involve-all-county-schools?instance=TG_home_story_offset	"The overall goal for the faculty and staff at Villa Rica High School is to raise student achievement to a level of excellence, that improves the school perception, that will increase public support of all our programs," Brown said. "This initiative was designed to improve student achievement through quality instruction by alleviating distractions, decreasing office referrals through improved behavior and keeping students in class rather than the office dealing with clothes issues."	
2/12/10	kpvi.com	Blackfoot School District 55	Bingham	Blackfoot	ID	4,278	Fifteen different weapons could be stuffed into a teenager's baggy pants. An argument in support of school uniforms to 'up' students' safety. A public forum was held in Blackfoot Thursday night where that is being taken into considered. It's a topic that usually ends up being controversial. There were three hand-outs for parents and students to read through. One is the current dress code, the other, reasons in favor of uniforms and an example of what current dress codes are out there in the United States.	http://www.kpvi.com/Global/story.asp?S=11974959		
2/9/10	Star Telegram	Forth Worth	Tarrant	Forth Worth	TX	78,857		http://www.star-telegram.com/2010/02/08/1955454/fort-worth-administrators-see.html		
1/3/10	Cleveland.com	Cleveland Municipal City	Cuyahoga	Cleveland	OH	52,954	Cleveland's dress code policy for high school students took effect this school year. The district also has continued helping the city's struggling families absorb the cost, setting aside \$600,000 in a tight budget to pay for 12,000 uniform vouchers. Each \$50 voucher pays for two tops, two bottoms, a belt and a sweater. So far, the district has handed out 2,399 vouchers to high school students and 7,100 to elementary students.	http://blog.cleveland.com/metro/2010/01/post_180.html	School districts have varying reasons for requiring uniforms, but some commonly cited include improving discipline, screening out gang colors and curbing fashion competition that embarrasses students from poor families. Nearly a fourth of U.S. public-school students wear standardized apparel and the numbers are growing, said Matt Buesing, a consultant to French Toast, a school-uniform supply company in Martinsville, Va.	