



North Iredell Middle School Dress Code 2020-2021

Appropriate dress is the responsibility of the parents and students of North Iredell Middle School. Student dress should provide comfort, ensure safety, and enhance the learning environment of NIMS. In addition to the normal instructional hours, this policy will be in effect for field trips and after school activities. For special events (i.e. spirit week, a formal dance) when other clothing may be required or allowed, advance notice will be given.

Tops/Shirts	Shorts/Pants/Skirts/Dresses	Outerwear/Shoes/Accessories
Color/Material: Any color or material is acceptable		
Types: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Must have sleeves that cover the shoulder and underarm ➤ Hoodies may be worn, but hoods MUST remain <i>completely</i> off the head while in the building. ➤ Must cover the back and stomach 	Types: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ All bottom wear must be at or below fingertip length, while the arm is at a relaxed, normal position. ➤ Students may wear pants with holes; however, no skin may show above fingertip length. ➤ Leggings and jeggings are allowed, as long as the bottom is completely covered by a long shirt. 	Types: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Hoodies, sweatshirts, light jackets, sweaters are allowed. ➤ Any type street shoe may be worn to school, but athletic shoes MUST be worn while in PE. ➤ Jewelry is allowed
Students should NOT wear: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Low cut shirts or crop tops without an undershirt that would expose the front, back, or stomach. ➤ Sleeveless or “cold shoulder” shirts ➤ Tank tops, muscle shirts, or spaghetti straps 	Students should NOT wear: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Sagging pants worn below the waist. ➤ Shorts, dresses, skirts, etc. that are above the “fingertip rule” ➤ Holes that expose skin above the “fingertip rule.” ➤ Leggings and jeggings without a long shirt that covers the bottom. 	Students should NOT wear: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Blankets (whether carried or worn) ➤ Heavy, bulky coats (may be placed in a locker.) ➤ Hats, hoods, any item that covers the head ➤ Bedroom shoes, shower shoes ➤ Wallet chains, sunglasses, spiked jewelry, or other items that could cause injury.
<p>Appropriate logos/writing: We would love to see your Bear Pride! All logos/writing are permitted. Students may not wear any items that have political campaign material, inappropriate symbols, words, pictures, etc. that depict violence, tobacco, drugs, alcohol, sex, vulgarity, racism, or gang affiliation, membership, or violence. Administration reserves the right to make changes to this dress code at any time to protect the learning environment and safety of NIMS.</p>		

Non-Compliance: Any student violating the dress code will be asked to change the inappropriate clothing. If the student cannot make the necessary changes, he/she will be sent to in-school suspension until the parent brings the appropriate clothing. Repeat offenders will receive a warning, then parents will be notified. If the issue persists, the student could face disciplinary action up to and including out of school suspension.

Students who continue to wear hoods in the building, whether fully or partially on the head, or wear slides/sandals/boots in PE will be banned from being able to wear those items completely.

Beware of the B’s: We don’t want to see bras, breasts, bottoms, backs, bellies, boxers, or bedroom wear!