

# WCMHS Dress Code

The Wilkinson County Middle/High School dress code is created to promote safety, good hygiene, workforce readiness, and a respectful school environment. Certain styles of attire, while accepted elsewhere, are not appropriate at school. All students are expected to follow the dress code while on school grounds before, during, and after school. Personal hygiene, grooming, and dress may in no way distract from others' learning process. **School administrators will make the final determination as to what is appropriate or inappropriate for the school.**

## GENERAL RULES:

- All clothing and socks must be free of inflammatory, suggestive, racial, or other inappropriate writing, advertisement, or artwork. This also includes offensive words and designs, violence (blood, death, and weapons), sex, hate groups, tobacco or vaping products, drugs, and alcohol or gang membership.
- Students should not wear excessively tight, short, low-cut, or form-fitting garments.
- Skirts or dresses must be mid-thigh or longer
- All manufactured, customized, or worn-out clothing with rips or holes, large or small, must have leggings underneath so that skin is not visible.
- Clothing that displays alcohol, beer, drugs, or tobacco logos, products, or advertising will not be permitted.
- Pants must be worn at the natural waistline with a belt. Sagging pants, shorts, or exposure undergarments will not be permitted.
- Inappropriate logos or slogans may not be worn.
- Any accessories, clothing, or apparel that a student or a group of students wears to identify themselves to harass, threaten, or intimidate others will not be allowed.
- No outer clothing which resembles loungewear, pajamas, underwear, or blankets of any kind.
- No fads and styles that differ extremely from conventionally accepted standards, such as pants with slogans/writings across the buttocks.
- Avoid any clothing that is distracting because of extremes in style, fit, color, pattern, fabric, etc.
- No exposed tattoos or clothing that include profanity, nudity, alcohol, drugs, discriminatory, racist, or gang-related symbols, or known gang-affiliated colors.
- While hoodies are allowed, the hood may not be worn during the school day.

## **SPECIFIC RULES:**

### **HEADGEAR/HATS/ACCESSORIES NOT ALLOWED**

- Bonnets
- Caps, hats, or hoods
- Sweatbands, scarves, bandanas, durags, combs, picks, curlers, etc.
- Headphones or earbuds

### **BLOUSES/TOPS NOT ALLOWED**

- Crop tops, tank tops, halter tops, spaghetti straps, sleeveless tops, tube tops, undershirts, etc.
- Backless tops, strapless tops, any top exposing the midriff or belly button, racer-back tops, anything sheer that exposes undergarments

### **BOTTOMS NOT ALLOWED**

- Sagging pants, tights, biker shorts, etc.
- Knits, joggers\*, or sweatpants of any kind — *fleece/knit material is not permissible.*
- Pants that have revealing cutouts or holes
- Shorts of any kind
- Any skirt or dress shorter than mid-thigh

### **SHOES NOT ALLOWED**

- Flip-flops, cleats, bedroom slippers, strapless shoes, slides, any shoes with spikes, or any other adornments that might cause harm to others
- Crocs without the straps

### **ACCESSORIES AND JEWELRY NOT ALLOWED**

- Nose rings, cowrings, belly rings, tongue rings, grills, etc.
- Any type of jewelry with metal spikes

**All students must comply with the dress code for the entire school day. This includes cheerleaders, dance teams, flag corps, athletes, and other groups, except during performances or special activities approved by the principal.**