



# **New Hope Elementary School**

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*Dr. Micki Foster -Principal*

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Dear Parent or Guardian:

At New Hope Elementary, our main goal is to maintain the best possible learning environment for student learning and achievement. This is a reminder about our dress code guidelines. As administrators, we are charged with enforcing the dress code set forth by the Henry County School System and making judgments about what we deem as inappropriate. We greatly appreciate your help with this matter. Please read the following dress code guidelines.

### **General Guidelines**

Students should come to school with their hair neat and well-groomed. Students must wear shoes to school (skate-shoes are not allowed). Clothing should be neat, clean, and worn properly (pants and skirts shall be worn at the waist). Clothing should not be too tight, too loose, too short, or too long, and should not have inappropriate writing or pictures. Wearing any clothing, jewelry, or other items symbolizing gang affiliation is prohibited.

### **NHE Guidelines**

- Pants may not have holes above the knee. Patches or leggings must cover skin if above the knee.
- Shorts, skirts, culottes, split skirts or dresses must rest midhigh in length and this includes with leggings or shorts underneath.
- Leggings are acceptable as pants but the accompanied shirt (tunic) must completely cover the child's bottom.
- All pants (including skinny jeans) and skirts shall be worn at the waist at all times.
- Hats or caps should not be worn during the school day. If a student wears a hoodie, the hood may not be worn over the student's head during the school day.
- Tank, tube, and halter-tops, including spaghetti straps and low-cut shirts, are not permitted. Sleeveless shirts are permitted as long as they are three fingers in width on the shoulder. Please be mindful with V-neck shirts and low-cut shirts.
- Shirts should not be transparent. If a shirt is transparent, students must wear a tank top or camisole underneath so that undergarments are not visible.
- Flip-flops and slides are not allowed on the playground equipment as it is a safety issue.
- Hair color and/or styles that create a disruption of the educational environment, present a health or safety concern, or interfere with the learning of others will not be permitted.

If dress code violations occur, the teacher will notify the parent in writing for the first offense unless the violation is deemed too inappropriate. If the violation warrants immediate action or the child has already received a written warning, then we will contact you to bring your child a change of clothes. If parents cannot bring a change of clothes, a school shirt, if available, may be provided if it relieves the problem.

Thanks in advance for your cooperation regarding the student dress code. Please contact Mrs. Miller or the administration if you have any further questions about the dress code.

Thank you for your support,

Dr. Micki Foster