

STUDENT DRESS CODE

Students are expected to dress and groom themselves in a neat, clean, and tasteful manner. All students shall maintain their appearance so as not to unreasonably distract, disrupt, or interfere with the instructional process or the orderly operation of the school. Children should come to school in clothing that is comfortable and suitable for all school activities. In the selection of clothes, parents are urged to use good judgment and select clothes that are appropriate for school.

The following are acceptable and expected:

- Appropriate shoes must be worn at all times; tennis shoes should be worn when participating in the school's physical education (PE) program.
- Shoelaces should be tied at all times.
- Pants with holes or cut-outs are permissible only if they are lower than mid-thigh or leggings are under the pants with holes.
- Tights and leggings only when worn under skirts or dresses at the appropriate length.
- All pants, jeans, shorts, etc. must be fastened at the waist at all times and are to be worn at the appropriate waist level.

The following are NOT acceptable:

- Clothing or accessories advertising alcoholic beverages, drugs, tobacco, profanity, slang or inappropriate language, or weapons;
- Clothing, hats, hairstyles, or accessories containing inappropriate language, messages, or designs;
- Sun dresses, tank tops, tube tops, halter tops, see-through shirts, fishnet or mesh material shirts, crop tops, one-shoulder or off-the-shoulder blouses, and blouses with open backs;
- Shirts, tops, blouses, or sweaters which show cleavage;
- Bare midriffs – all shirts, blouses, etc. must cover the top of pants, slacks, shorts, etc., whether standing or sitting;
- Pants, shorts, skirts, etc. with writing on the buttock area, as well as lace-up legs;
- Any clothing item that is too tight or loose;

- Any clothing item that is too short (shorts, skirts, and dresses must be as long as the length of the middle finger when hands are down by the student's side AND at least mid-thigh);
- Any clothing item that shows a student's undergarments;
- Baggy or sagging pants;
- Heeled and/or high platform shoes (unsafe and inappropriate on normal school days/events);
- Combs, picks, hairnets, scarves, bandanas, headbands, hair rollers, etc.;
- Bandanas (colored or white) at any time or on any part of the body;
- Hats, caps, stocking caps, dew rags, etc., except on special designated "Hat Days";
- Sunglasses or shades inside the building;
- Visible body piercings other than earrings;
- Extreme colored or dyed hair that causes a disruption to the instructional process in the classroom.

The school administration reserves the right to delete or add to Student Dress Code guidelines as the need arises to address the ever-changing issues related to changing fashions. Should a question arise concerning the appropriateness of a student's dress, the school administration reserves the right to determine what they deem as appropriate and what is NOT in regards to the disruptive nature of the clothing, dress, adornment, etc. to the educational process.

*****Continuous violations of these regulations will result in disciplinary action.**