

DRESS CODE



It is our responsibility to develop a dress code that promotes a positive, safe environment in which clothing is suitable for the school environment. While we understand that there is a diversity of family preferences and expectations for how students dress, as a school we must create a standard policy for all of our students. All students must follow the dress code while at school or while attending school-sponsored events.

GENERAL CLOTHING EXPECTATIONS

Clothing must allow students to walk, sit, stand, bend, reach, and participate safely in school-related physical activities. Required coverage must remain intact during the aforementioned physical movements. Clothing should not require constant adjustment in order to meet the coverage expectations in this dress code. Clothing may not create a health or safety hazard for the student or others.

COVERAGE AND UNDERGARMENTS

Clothing must cover the chest, back, midriff, buttocks, shoulders, and undergarments. Undergarments may not be visible. Clothing may not be see-through or sheer unless appropriate clothing is worn underneath. Pants, shorts, and skirts must be worn at the waist or hips and may not expose undergarments. Undergarments and swimwear may not be worn as outerwear.

PROHIBITED IMAGES, LANGUAGE, and MESSAGES

Clothing, shoes, jewelry, bags, accessories, and hats may not advertise, promote, depict, or suggest alcohol, tobacco, drugs, illegal substances, sexual activity, profanity, obscene language, harassment, discrimination, violence, graffiti, or illegal activity. Items may not include words, images, symbols, or gestures that are derogatory, disparaging, threatening, or demeaning toward any individual or group.

GANG-RELATED, HATE-RELATED, OR DISRUPTIVE ITEMS

Clothing, shoes, jewelry, bags, accessories, and hats may not display or represent gang-related symbols, signs, colors, numbers, logos, language, or paraphernalia. Items associated with hate groups or items that substantially disrupt the learning environment or create a safety concern are not permitted.

SAFETY-RELATED RESTRICTIONS

Accessories, jewelry, or apparel that create a safety concern are prohibited. This may include items such as chains, sharp objects, or accessories that could be used to harm self or others.



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HEADWEAR

Hats worn for sun protection are allowed outdoors if they have a full brim of at least 1½ inches on all sides. Baseball caps and ski masks are not permitted unless approved for a school activity or special circumstance. Hats, beanies, sunglasses, and hoods must be removed indoors unless permitted for religious, medical, safety, or school-approved reasons. Religious and medical head coverings are permitted.

FOOTWEAR

Students must wear shoes appropriate for safe movement at school. Slippers, slides, and flip-flops are not permitted. Sandals must have a heel strap. Students must have appropriate athletic shoes for P.E. Lockers are available for students to store P.E. shoes at school.

P.E. CLOTHING AND SPECIAL DRESS DAYS

School-issued P.E. clothing may be worn only during the student's P.E. class unless otherwise authorized. Pajamas, sleeping garments, blankets, and slippers may not be worn unless it is a designated school activity or spirit day. Athletic shorts and biker shorts may not be worn outside of P.E. class unless approved for a school activity or designated day.

ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW

Items not specifically listed may be restricted if they create a safety concern, substantially disrupt the learning environment, or violate one of the standards in this dress code.

As fashion trends change, there may be a need to modify dress standards. When this occurs, students and parents/families will be notified through the school website, Aeries Communication, discussions with staff, and/or announcements. Please call the school at any time for clarification prior to the purchase of school clothing. Inappropriate clothing may be confiscated and released to parents. Parent support in encouraging students to dress appropriately is greatly appreciated.

Students who violate the dress standards will be subject to disciplinary consequences consisting of but not limited to, detention, and/or also changing into loaner clothes. Continued violations could result in further disciplinary action.