

QUINTON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL

STUDENT DRESS CODE

Students are expected to wear clothing and accessories that support a safe, respectful, and productive learning environment.

Purpose

The purpose of this dress code is to establish reasonable standards for student attire while promoting a safe, welcoming, and inclusive school environment. Student learning should remain the primary focus of the school day. Clothing and accessories must be appropriate for school and must meet health and safety expectations.

Attire that materially disrupts the educational process, creates a safety concern, or interferes with the rights of others is not permitted. When a concern arises, the student will be informed and a parent or guardian may be contacted to assist in resolving the matter.

Dress and Appearance Standards

- Clothing must be neat, clean, appropriately sized, and in good repair. Clothing should not contain holes that expose undergarments or areas that must remain covered under this dress code.
- Clothing and accessories may not display offensive, vulgar, discriminatory, threatening, or otherwise inappropriate words, symbols, or images. They also may not advertise alcohol, tobacco, vaping products, controlled substances, weapons, or other products students may not legally purchase.
- Pants and shorts must be worn at the waist and fit securely. Pajamas, sleepwear, and slippers are not permitted unless authorized for a designated school activity or spirit day.
- Undergarments may not be visible.
- Shirts, blouses, and dresses must cover the abdomen and midriff. Halter tops, strapless tops, and garments with straps that do not provide appropriate coverage are not permitted.
- Shorts, skirts, and dresses must provide appropriate coverage for normal school activities. As a general guideline, they should reach fingertip length or below when the student's arms are resting naturally at their sides.
- Safe and appropriate footwear must be worn at all times. Slippers, shoes with wheels (including Heelys), and flip-flops are not permitted.
- Hats, bandanas, hoods, sunglasses, earmuffs, and other head coverings may not be worn inside the building during the school day unless authorized for religious, cultural, medical, disability-related, or school-sponsored purposes.
- Heavy or bulky outerwear, including winter coats, must be stored while students are in the building when directed by the administration. Appropriately sized sweaters, sweatshirts, and lightweight jackets may be worn for warmth.
- Jewelry and accessories that present a safety concern or interfere with the learning environment are subject to review by the administration.
- Any garment or accessory that materially disrupts the orderly educational process, creates a health or safety concern, or interferes with the rights of others is prohibited, as determined by the administration.

Responsibility and Enforcement

Students and their parents or guardians share responsibility for complying with this dress code. The administration is responsible for applying these standards in a fair and consistent manner so the instructional program can operate safely and effectively, free from substantial disruption or interference.

If a student's attire does not meet these standards, the student will be addressed respectfully and privately whenever practicable. A parent or guardian may be asked to bring appropriate clothing. When available and appropriate, the school nurse may provide temporary clothing. Repeated or willful violations may result in disciplinary action consistent with district policy and the student code of conduct.

Application of the Dress Code

This dress code applies during the regular school day and at school-sponsored events and activities. It also applies on school-sponsored trips unless the trip sponsor, with administrative approval, communicates different attire requirements based on the nature of the activity.

The administration may establish reasonable, content-neutral modifications when necessary to maintain an orderly academic environment or address health and safety needs. Reasonable accommodations will be considered for sincerely held religious or cultural practices, medical needs, disabilities, and other circumstances protected by law.

Communication

Students and parents or guardians will be informed of dress and grooming standards at the beginning of each school year and whenever the standards are revised. Questions regarding the dress code or requests for an accommodation should be directed to the school administration.