

STUDENT DRESS CODE

The intent and purpose of these guidelines is to eliminate disruption to the classroom environment, promote instruction and comply with state health and safety standards while allowing students to express personal taste and individuality through clothing choices. Clothing should fit properly; be the correct size for the student, while not creating a distraction to others. Students must not wear clothing that reveals the body in an inappropriate manner. Students are reminded that items perfectly suited for home, gym, beach, or party may not be appropriate school wear.

Dress guidelines for students in grades K-5. Our goal is to *prepare* and guide students in grades K-5 to follow the secondary dress code that will be required in the future. Therefore, students are encouraged to adhere to the guidelines as listed in “Dress for Success”.

Dress for Success

Dress guidelines apply to students in grades 6-12

Students may wear....

- long-sleeved or short-sleeved shirts that cover the shoulders, chest, abdomen, and back.
- jackets and sweatshirts that do not cover the head.
- pants or jeans at the natural waistline, free from holes above mid-thigh (unless material or patch is closing the hole).
- skirts, skorts, shorts, worn at the natural waistline that are mid-thigh or longer and free from holes above mid-thigh (unless material or patch is closing the hole).
- Leggings/Jeggings (not referring to jeans with jeggings in the name) can only be worn under skirts, shorts, skorts, tops, and dresses that conform to the mid-thigh rule. Slits/splits in items must conform to the mid-thigh rule.
- dresses that are mid-thigh or longer.
- prescription eyeglasses worn for medical conditions.
- hard-bottomed shoes or sandals meant for both indoor and outdoor use.

Prohibited items:

- See-through, skin tight/body forming, revealing clothing (bodysuits, etc.)
- Visible undergarments
- Athletic gym shorts, spandex items, pajama/lounge pants, and house shoes
- Clothing items that suggest/display obscene words, suggestive or immoral behavior, pictures, and/or designs; including but not limited to any article that conveys a sexually suggestive remark, gang-related, or alcohol message, or tobacco and/or drug-related message

Prohibited Items related to school safety (unless allowed per 504, IEP, etc.)

- Open or chain belts, including metal chains on pants and chain wallets
- Hats, hoods, toboggans worn inside the building
- Haircaps, hair wraps, bandanas, curlers, picks, or combs
- Ear buds, headphones, and other electronic devices that impair the student’s ability to listen for instructions.

NOTE: Attire for special days must be pre-approved by the administration, publicized, and announced to the student body.

School administration reserves the right to make decisions regarding student attire and grooming. Exceptions may be made when physical or other circumstances warrant for certain groups during performances, or special activities as authorized by school administrators. If in doubt about a particular dress guideline violation, school administration will be responsible to make final decisions.