

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DRESS CODE

Students are permitted to wear:

- Pants near or at the waist level.
- Skirts, dresses and shorts that do not rise above fingertips when their hands are extended at their sides and are loose fitting.
- Overalls and suspender-style dresses and skirts with both straps fastened.

Students are not permitted to wear

- Cut-off shorts and short shorts
- Halter, midriff exposure tops, spaghetti straps, bare-shoulder tops, open-belly shirts, tube tops, backless tops, low cut tops or see-through (sheer) clothing.
- Undershirts, homemade cut off shirts, or sleeveless shirts.
- Tattered, droop, baggy, sag look, rolled pant legs or cut-offs.
- Tear away or snap pants.
- Pants are not permitted to be worn below the hip level;
- Articles of clothing that do not meet.
- NO skin showing at the waist/hip area.
- Underwear may not be seen.
- Pajamas or sleepwear.
- Sleeveless t-shirts (tank tops) or undershirts (thermals) are not to be worn alone.
- Gym or pool clothing outside of the gym or pool.
- Outdoor clothing, such as heavy coats or parkas in the school, have students keep a sweatshirt/sweater in the locker for cooler days.
- Clothing or accessories with obscene, suggestive, provocative, vulgar language, alcohol, violence, tobacco, drugs, sex, and sexual harassment related logos/images/writing.
- No inappropriate "double-meaning" shirts or clothing should be worn.
- Any gang attire, symbols, signs, jewelry, or other things which are evidence of membership in, or affiliation with, recruitment, or desire to be affiliated with any gang.
- Any other articles of clothing or matters of dress that are disruptive of the educational process or that constitutes a health or safety hazard.

FOOTWEAR

Permitted:

- Students are required to wear any style of "closed toe" footwear with a back strap. Shoes should have a rubber sole or leather sole, which includes: dress shoes, casual shoes, athletic shoes, closed-toe Crocs, boots, and closed toe sandals. Socks must be worn with any open toe shoe. During physical education classes, students must wear athletic shoes.

Not Permitted:

- "Open toe" footwear
- Slippers and flip flops of any kind
- Shower shoes are strictly prohibited
- Bare feet

ACCESSORIES

- Sunglasses, may not wear tinted/sunglasses in school unless prescribed by a medical doctor or eye specialist.
- Adornments, which tend to mar or damage school property. Chains on apparel or book

bags are prohibited.

- Head coverings, (stocking or wave caps, do-rags, caps/hats, bandannas, handkerchiefs, headbands, hoods, headsets, or other headgear) are not permitted in the building.
- Purses, backpacks and bookbags may not be carried to class. All coats, purses and bags are to be left in the lockers until the end of the school day.
- Lotions, cremes, nail polish, body spray, perfumes, etc. are not permitted to be applied in school.

Other exceptions are made only upon the prior approval of the Building Principal. Such exception requests must be made in writing at least 24 hours in advance where practicable and must include a reason or explanation for the request.

RELIGIOUS EXEMPTIONS

Requests for exemptions from the dress code based upon one's religion or religious beliefs must be made at least 24 hours in advance where practicable in writing to the Principal including an explanation of why the religion/religious belief prevents compliance with the dress code.

GENERAL

- All clothing is to be clean and neat.
- Attire that is not in compliance with this dress code policy is not permitted. In addition to the clothing items expressly prohibited under this policy.
- Principals and District Administration have discretion to address any attire/body art that is offensive, degrading, vulgar, contrary to the educational mission of the school that disrupts the learning environment, or infringes upon the rights of others.

DRESS CODE EXCEPTIONS

- Students participating in a nationally-recognized youth organization (such as Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts) may wear their uniforms on those days such organizations have a scheduled function.
- Athletic team representation such as game day jerseys/uniforms (uniform skirts that do not meet the minimum length requirement are not permitted during the regular school day). In addition, cheerleading shells (vests or tops) cannot be worn singularly.

HAIR

- Hair is to be clean and neatly groomed.
- Hair must not be worn in a way which obstructs the natural vision
- from students or staff members.

JEWELRY AND ACCESSORIES

- Jewelry or accessories that may be used as weapons are not to be worn to school. This includes, but is not limited to, jewelry such as spiked rings, spiked bracelets, spiked dog collars, chained wallets, two or three finger rings that are connected, and bulky chains worn around the neck or waist.
- Chains and sharp objects such as spikes are not allowed on clothing or bookbags.
- No head coverings are permitted to be worn in school. This includes, but is not limited to, caps, hats, hoods, bandanas, wave caps, sweat-bands, skull caps, sunglasses, headsets, or any other head covering. Combs, rakes, or picks cannot be worn in the hair. Exception requests,

including those based upon religious beliefs or medical reasons, must be made in writing to the school principal along with an explanation of the religious belief or religion which prevents compliance with the ban on head coverings at least 24 hours in advance where practicable.

- Body piercing (other than permissible types of ear piercing) and displaying jewelry in areas such as the nose, eyebrows, lips and tongue are not permitted. Other than in the ears, no clear studs to maintain a piercing are permitted.
- “Gauging” or stretching of the mouth/lips/and/or earlobe as well as the following types of earrings, ear/body jewelry, and ear/body piercing are not permitted: flesh tunnels, flesh plugs, ear/lip stretchers, ear/lip expanders (gauges), and similar ear/lip stretching devices or jewelry.
- Students may not wear tinted glasses, or sunglasses. Decorative contact lenses are not permitted. Gold teeth or grills of any type are strictly prohibited.