

Dress Code Policy

Principals and teachers shall exercise appropriate discretion in implementing this policy, including making reasonable accommodations on the basis of students' religious beliefs or medical conditions. Students are expected to adhere to standards of dress and appearance that are compatible with an effective learning environment. Presenting a bodily appearance of wearing clothing which is disruptive, provocative, revealing, profane, vulgar, offensive or obscene, or which endangers the health and safety of the student or others is prohibited. Examples of prohibited dress or appearance include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Exposed undergarments;
- Sagging pants;
- Excessively short or tight garments;
- Bare midriff shirts, strapless shirts, halter tops, sleeveless straps less than 2 inches wide;
- Attire with messages or illustrations that are lewd, indecent, vulgar, or that advertise any product or service not permitted by law to minors;
- Head covering of any kind;
- See-through clothing attire that exposes cleavage;
- Any adornment such as chains or spikes that reasonably could be perceived as or used as a weapon;
- Any symbols, styles or attire frequently associated with intimidation, violence or violent groups about which students at particular schools have been notified; and
- Flip-flops, sandals that are not secure (do not strap around the ankle), platform shoes, and skate shoes that have wheels attached.

(All of the above mentioned are considered unsafe for school activities.)

Individual schools are free to specify additional examples of dress or appearance that are prohibited at that school under terms of this policy. If a student's dress or appearance is such that it constitutes a threat to the health or safety of themselves or others, distracts the attention of other students or staff from their work or otherwise violates this dress code, the principal or the principal's designee may require the student to change his or her dress or appearance. A second or repeated violation of this policy may result in disciplinary action.

Special Note:



- Students should dress for all temperatures and weather; indoor and outdoor conditions.
- Students should dress appropriately for all school activities such as field day, physical education, field trips, etc.
- Students may wear protective head coverings and sunglasses during outside activities as needed.
- Students may have cell phones in their possession. However, they must remain off.