

## Student Dress Code Policy

The wearing of appropriate clothing is an essential part of education; therefore, the wearing of garments suitable for school shall be encouraged. All teachers shall be on the alert to give helpful, friendly guidance in these matters without undue embarrassment to the student. This policy of personal appearance is meant to be a set of guidelines to enable students to dress casually but reasonably.

1. The personal appearance of students may be in the style of the day; however, the wearing of overly-tight, extreme, or inappropriate clothing is not permitted. Any item or material which promotes or sensationalizes the use of drugs, beer, tobacco, alcohol, sex, racism, including tattoos, body paintings, jewelry or any other related material with suggestive phrases or are against community values and standards will not be tolerated or worn on school property.
2. Special costumes may be worn when recommended by the principal.
3. Cleanliness of the physical person to a degree consistent with the maintenance of good physical health is mandatory.
4. Slacks or shorts may be worn. All shorts, skirts and dresses must be no shorter than mid-thigh (when standing) and splits in girls' skirts must be no higher than mid-thigh (when standing). Pants are to be worn at the waist, with belts buckled and shirts tucked inside the pants so that belts are visible. Clothing is to be in good repair. Leggings and form-fitting stretch pants must be worn with tops no shorter than mid-thigh (when standing).
5. Bicycle pants may only be worn when covered by skirts or shorts that meet the mid-thigh standard.
6. Exposed midriff or revealing clothing or tops that are bareback below the shoulder blades shall not be worn. Sundresses and overalls must have straps on both shoulders (no spaghetti straps). Visible undergarments are prohibited.
7. No head coverings may be brought to school or worn during school hours.
8. Shoes or sandals must be worn at all times; flip-flops, bedroom shoes and shoes with rollers are prohibited.
9. Swimwear, dancewear, or physical education shorts shall not be worn except in those respective classes. Dance and physical education classes have their own specific clothing requirements.
10. Bedroom attire is not permitted.
11. Tank shirts and muscle shirts are prohibited. (Including those with cut-off or ripped sleeves).
12. Sunglasses are not to be worn inside the buildings unless a note is presented by a licensed physician indicating a need for eye protection.
13. Boxer shorts may not be worn as an outer garment.
14. Jewelry with spikes projecting from them is prohibited; rings that cover more than one finger are also not to be worn on campus. Wallet chains or similar size chains may not be worn, in any manner, on campus.
15. Bandannas are not to be worn or displayed on school property. In addition, any symbol or sign normally recognized by law enforcement as being gang-related shall not be permitted.

NOTE: The school administrators will make the final decision on the appropriateness of clothing, jewelry, tattoos, or body piercing worn to school or anything else which does not reflect community values and standards or causes disruption to the educational process or becomes a health hazard to self

or others.