

STUDENT DRESS CODE POLICY

The responsibility of proper school dress is that of the student and his/her parents. All clothing worn at school or school activities should be neat and clean. All clothing must be in good taste and modestly worn. Clothing of extreme styles is not permitted. Student attire and/or appearance that is so radical that it distracts from the educational process will not be tolerated.

1. Obscene or provocative T-shirts with words or objects which are objectionable and/or are disrespectful, pertinent to racial or ethnic background, are not proper attire for school and will not be permitted. Clothing with suggestive pictures, suggestive phrases, promotion or advertisement of any alcohol, tobacco or drug related products or businesses are also prohibited.
2. **Sleeveless shirts**, halter tops, tank tops, tops with spaghetti straps, jerseys/blouses with large openings at the arms, or any shirts that expose the midriff, chest, stomach, or back are prohibited. **A sleeveless shirt or anything with large openings requires a t-shirt to be worn underneath.**
3. All undergarments are to be covered.
4. All shorts and skirts must be of such length as to hang no higher than 3 inches above the knee unless leggings are worn underneath.
5. Shoes must be worn at all times. Flip flops, skate shoes, cleats, and any shoe without a back or back strap (including sports sandals and dress sandals) should not be worn as they have proven to be very dangerous in the school building, on stairs and on the playground. Any shoe that has more than a one inch heel is not appropriate for the school day and should not be worn.
6. Hats, head coverings, visors, sunglasses, bandanas, and sweatbands should not be worn in the building.
7. Oversized pants and low rise pants must be worn with a secure belt to prevent any undergarments or skin to be exposed during the school day.
8. Bedroom slippers, pajamas, and/or other clothing normally worn to bed are not to be worn to school.

Special events and school supported activities may allow for exceptions to these dress code rules as deemed appropriate by the school administration. Permission will be granted in advance to the student body, groups of students, or individual students when necessary.

If the teacher feels a garment is unacceptable based on the standard of the dress code, or causes a disruption in class, the student will be asked to turn apparel inside out or cover up the unacceptable garment. If the problem persists the teacher may refer the student to the office for further discipline. Students whose appearance or dress is unacceptable will be required to make adjustments in apparel, asked to call home, or may be removed from the school setting.