

Dress Code 2022 - 2023

DRESS CODE: The following procedures are established to promote discipline, maintain order and provide a healthy environment conducive to academic purposes. Students are required to wear appropriate clothing and shoes according to the situation and the grade level involved. Inappropriate clothing and appearance are disruptive to the school program. Principals will enforce adherence to the dress code by those under their jurisdiction. School administrators have final authority to decide if clothing complies with district rules.

A. Weather Protective Wear – Students will be allowed to wear sunglasses, hats or other sun protective items while outdoors during and engaged in school related activities such as physical education or recess. No hats or sunglasses (unless prescribed by a physician) are to be worn in the school building or hallways. Hoods are not to be worn unless weather permits (an announcement will be made on days they are allowed to be worn outside).

B. Pants – Pants are to be worn at the waist, not below the waist or in such a way to expose undergarments or body parts in an indecent or vulgar manner or in a manner that disrupts the orderly learning environment. All pants, shorts, and spandex/leggings must be neat, free of holes, rips, patches, frays, mesh, or other disruptions in the fabric and must be appropriately fitted. Leggings must be worn with a long shirt that should reach to the student's fingertips and the shirt must be fully extended at all times. (This area is outlined in Item D – Shorts, Skirts, and Dresses).

C. Shirts and Blouses – Must be long enough to remain tucked in at all times with no skin visible.

D. Shorts, Skirts, and Dresses – To determine if shorts are too short: while student is standing with arms fully extended at side of his/her leg, shorts should reach to the student's fingertips. In other words, the longest finger should still touch material, not skin. Students may wear dresses and skirts that are knee length in the front and back.

E. Unacceptable Attire – Any apparel that is determined inappropriate, disruptive to the educational environment, profane, or offensive to good taste by principal or designee of the school such as but not limited to: clothing, accessories, or manner of grooming, which by virtue of color arrangement, trade mark, logo, graphic, or other attributes that denotes membership in a gang; advocates drugs, tobacco products, or alcohol; violence; sexual innuendo; profanity; or has caused disruption is prohibited. Unacceptable attire includes, but is not limited to:

- spandex/bike shorts, short shorts, and boxer shorts
- form fitted dresses or skirts
- shirts and dresses with a neckline that dips below the line formed between the left and right armpit
- bandanas and/or du rags (may not be worn, displayed, or carried onto campus)
- slippers and other bedroom attire
- fish net stockings
- tattoos or other markings (must be covered)
- wallet chains, dog chains, and spiked jewelry, accessories, etc. presenting a safety or health hazard
- spaghetti straps, tank tops, crop tops, muscle shirts, and shirts with cut off sleeves
- see through items
- pajama pants to include but not limited to: velour, plaid, fleece, flannel, seasonal and/or character prints (exception: specific school endorsed dress up days)
- onesies, costumes, or tails (exception: specific school endorsed dress up days)

F. Footwear – Students must wear hard soled shoes that are safe and appropriate for the specific learning environment.

DRESS CODE VIOLATION: (Appendix C outlines the dress code expectations): Any student who violates the dress code policy, such as wearing clothing that exposes undergarments or body parts in an indecent or vulgar manner or that disrupts the orderly learning environment. Jackets/hoodies may not be used to cover a dress code violation.

1. First Offense – A student shall be given a verbal warning and the administrator or their designee shall call the student's parent or guardian to bring a change of clothes.

2. Second Offense – The student is ineligible to participate in any extracurricular activity for a period of time not to exceed five (5) days, may lose a privilege, and the school administrator or their designee shall call, meet with the student's parent or guardian and ask them to bring a change of clothes.

3. Third or Subsequent Offense – A student shall receive an in-school suspension pursuant to s.1003.01(5) for a period not to exceed three (3) days, the student is ineligible to participate in any extracurricular activity for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days, may lose additional privileges and the school administrator or their designee shall call the student's parent or guardian to bring a change of clothes, send the parent or guardian a written letter regarding the student's in-school suspension and ineligibility to participate in extracurricular activities. (Section 1006.07, Florida Statutes.)