

## **DRESS CODE**

Students are asked to wear clothes, which are neat and clean in appearance and suitable for the school's educational atmosphere. Shoes must be worn at all times and must be attached to the heel. No flip-flops. Hats or bandanas are not to be worn in school. The school principal or his designee may prohibit dress, which is so distracting as to interfere with the learning process.

Fashion trends often suggest clothing that may be acceptable outside of school but may not be acceptable inside of school. The guidelines listed below are not all-inclusive but will help insure that you are dressed appropriately for school:

1. Clothing promoting alcoholic/drugs and tobacco products and/or inappropriate language/messages must not be worn.
2. Inappropriate halter-tops, tank tops, see through blouses, midriff tops, spaghetti straps, low-cut tops, etc., must not be worn. A student's midriff may not be seen at anytime during the school day. If backs or stomachs are exposed, the student will be asked to change. If this exposure occurs due to actions associated with routine physical tasks such as sitting, raising a hand(s), reaching, etc., the student will be asked to change. Non-routine tasks will be treated with a broader scope of acceptability.
3. Bra straps must not be seen at any time.
4. Pants must be worn at an appropriate level. Undergarments must **not** be exposed at anytime.
5. Shorts/skirts must be no more than two to three inches above the middle of the knee cap – **no shorter**.
6. Shoes must be worn at all times for health and safety reasons.
7. Shoes must be attached to the heel. Sandals are allowed if they are attached to the heel.
8. Sunglasses are not to be worn in the school building.
9. Students may not wear pocket chains in the school building.
10. Bookbags/purses are to remain in student lockers all times.
11. Hats or bandanas are not permitted to be worn.
12. Sneakers with wheels in the soles are not permitted to be worn.

The administration reserves the right to make the final decision regarding appropriate dress in school and at school-sponsored events. Those students that are identified as being inappropriately dressed will not be allowed to participate in the school day until the issue is resolved.

### **Discipline Guidelines for Dress Code Violations:**

First Offense: Student will modify/change his/her clothing to adhere to the Dress Code. Verbal warning.

Second Offense: Student will modify/change his/her clothing to adhere to the Dress Code. After school central detention will be assigned.

Third Offense: Student will modify/change his/her clothing to adhere to the Dress Code. Saturday detention will be assigned.

Fourth Offense: Immediate removal from school for the day with additional consequences at the discretion of the administration.

Continued dress code offenses will cause the students to lose grade level activity privileges.