

District Wide Appropriate Dress

The Jackson County School Board recognizes the effect which student dress and grooming has upon student behavior and commitment to learning. The Board further recognizes the role of parents in assisting their children in making appropriate choices regarding clothing, accessories, and personal appearance. In order to maintain an atmosphere conducive to learning and to prepare students for working environments, the Jackson County School Board requires that all students, grades 6-12, exercise good taste with regard to their personal appearance. Attire considered disruptive or risky to health or safety is not appropriate. With this in mind, the following rules concerning dress and grooming are mandatory for students in grades 6-12 beginning with the 2013-2014 school year.

Definition of Standard District Wide School Attire Includes the Following:

Acceptable Attire in the Jackson County Schools:

- A. Khaki colored or plain blue denim jean pants, khaki colored or plain blue denim jean capris pants, khaki colored or plain blue denim jean shorts, khaki colored or plain blue denim jean skirts. Pants, capris, shorts, or skirts must be dress style or casual dress style.
- B. Collared, buttoned golf style shirts with short or long sleeves, in the solid color of white may be worn. Individual schools may designate up to two additional solid colors for acceptable shirts.

Collared long sleeved or short sleeved button up shirts in the solid color of white may be worn. Individual schools may designate up to two additional solid colors for acceptable shirts.

Plain solid white shirts or plain school colored shirts may be worn underneath the approved polo style and must be worn underneath button up style shirts provided that only the top button is left unbuttoned.

Solid colored Sweatshirts and Sweaters in the school approved colors may be worn over the approved shirt provided they have no print on the front. Hoodies (sweatshirts with attached hoods) are not permitted.

- C. Chests and midriffs must be covered. Pants, capris, shorts, or skirts with elastic waistbands must be worn at the waist and do not require a belt. All others require a belt and must be worn at the waist. Shorts and skirts must extend to the knee.
- D. All clothing must be hemmed. No holes, other than button-holes, may be in any garments; no drawstrings, cut-offs, or rolled-up pants legs are allowed on pants, capris, shorts, or skirts.

- E. No clothing shall be modified, rearranged, adorned, or added to (such as rhinestones, patches, etc.)

- F. School Sponsored shirts may be worn with the permission of the school Principal on special school sponsored days (such as homecoming week). Principals will have the authority to approve occasional variations from Standard District Wide School Attire for particular groups of students. For example, athletic team members or cheerleaders may wear their sleeveless tops layered over an approved school shirt. Members of school clubs or students involved in a school sponsored activity may wear school-sponsored apparel on days designated by the Principal.