

## **Dress Code Policy**

Students are expected to adhere to standards of dress and appearance that are compatible with a safe and effective learning environment. The Randolph County Board of Education prohibits appearance or clothing that (1) violates a reasonable dress code adopted in the school; (2) is substantially disruptive; (3) is provocative, revealing, vulgar or obscene; or (4) endangers the health or safety of the student or others.

- Head apparel (hats, hoodies, headbands, scarves, bandanas, picks, combs, etc.) or sunglasses may not be worn inside the building unless the headgear is worn based on a sincerely held religious belief.
- No visible undergarments.
- NO HOLES or FRAYS in pants, regardless of location, without leggings underneath.
- No halter tops, tank tops, spaghetti straps, razor backs. Sleeveless shirts must be four fingers in width at the shoulder.
- No cut off T-shirts for males or females
- No clothing that exposes the midriff or cleavage.
- No pants that are baggy or drag the floor (pants/shorts must be worn around the waist).
- No short shorts or excessively short dresses/skirts. Shorts, dresses and skirts must be fingertip length.
- No spandex or other very tight clothing or excessively oversized clothing.
- No sleepwear or bedroom slippers.
- No bare feet. Footwear should follow health and safety guidelines.
- Students participating in physical education classes must wear crewneck T-shirts with sleeves (no cutoff sleeves), sweatpants or shorts (shorts must meet the approval of the teacher and school administration), and athletic shoes.
- No clothing that contains advertisements for tobacco, alcohol or drugs; pictures or graphics of nudity; words that are profane, lewd, vulgar or indecent, or likely to be disruptive to the learning environment.
- No items that are potentially dangerous such as fish hooks, chains or spiked objects
- No symbols, styles or attire (including but not limited to: clothing, accessories, jewelry, hair accessories, emblems, badges, signs, or other items) that indicates a student's membership in or affiliation with a gang, frequently associated with gangs, intimidation, violence, or violent groups about which students at a particular school have been notified.

If a student's appearance, or lack of cleanliness is detrimental to the health or safety of him/herself or others, substantially disrupts the school or work environment, or otherwise violates this policy, the principal may require the student to adjust his/her appearance or clothing. Failure to comply with this policy or a school dress code will result in the student being removed from the classroom and/or school until his/her appearance or clothing meets school district policy or rules.