

DRESS AND APPEARANCE CODE (4.25)

It is felt that learning to dress appropriately is an important aspect of a student's education. To dress improper is also a distraction and a deterrent to the educational process. Any student may be sent home immediately if clothing does not meet the dress code or attracts undue attention to the student and thus creates a disturbance in the school. All garments must be worn in a manner as not to detract from the dignity of the student, school, and community. What is or is not appropriate will be at the Principal's discretion.

The Board of Education adopts the following dress code:

1. It is at the discretion of the administration to determine acceptable dress and appearance and dress must not present health and safety hazards or cause disruption of the educational process.
2. Clothing that advertises drugs, tobacco, alcoholic beverages, suggest obscenities or violence, or represent double messages may not be worn.
3. Students must wear shoes. For safety reasons slides and flip flops are not allowed in grades 1-8.
4. With the exception of school issued uniforms, students may not wear any garment that exposes the body between the shoulder and anything more than four (4) inches above the knee. All tops (girls and boys) must cover front back and sides of upper body. Spaghetti straps and tank tops are not allowed. Dresses and tops must not be open back or show cleavage.
5. Pants, jeans, or shorts must be in good, clean repair that does not expose skin above the knee.
6. Spandex shorts, tight fitting cotton shorts, tight or leggings may only be worn under clothing that is no shorter than four (4) inches above the knee. Tight fitting dresses or skirts are not allowed.
7. Students are not to wear HATS, CAPS, TOBOGGANS, THE HOODS OF "HOODIES", and/or BANDANAS on campus. Exception: Hats, caps, toboggans and hoods may be worn outside buildings in extremely cold or wet weather and to school sponsored activities (If permitted by principal).
8. Students are not to have chains on wallets or clothing.
9. Pants, shorts etc. must be worn no lower than the top of the hips. Sagging and/or excessively loose clothing will not be tolerated. Arkansas law states that students are prohibited from wearing, while on school grounds during the school day, clothing that exposes underwear or body parts in an indecent manner that disrupts the learning environment.
10. Extreme styles in hair or clothing that may cause a disturbance or disruption will not be permitted. Hair must not cover a student's eyes.
11. Excessive jewelry will not be tolerated. Principal will decide what is excessive.
12. Any clothing accessory, i.e., bracelets, necklace, etc., that can be used to inflict physical injury to another person will be deemed as a weapon and will receive punishment as specified in the Discipline section of the handbook.
13. The wearing of pajamas, sleep pants, and/or slippers are prohibited.
14. Students are to wear PE clothes only during PE class. They are not to be worn to or from school.
15. Gloves (with or without fingers) may be worn outside the buildings only during extremely cold weather.
16. Students are not to wear sunglasses inside the building.
17. The wearing of clothing that promote hate or violence is prohibited.
18. A student shall not wear or display emblems, insignias, badges, or other symbols that may mock, ridicule, or otherwise demean, or provoke others because of race, religion, or national origin, or other individual views.

Consequence: Grades 5 – 12	Consequence: Grades PK – 4
1st Offense: Parent Contact - Change Attire/ISS 2nd Offense: After School Detention - Parent Contact 3rd Offense: Saturday Detention - Parent Contact 4th Offense: 3 days ISS - Parent Contact 5th Offense: 3 days SOC - Parent Contact	1st Offense: Parent Contact - Change Attire/ISS 2nd Offense: 1 day ISS - Parent Contact 3rd Offense: 2 days ISS - Parent Contact 4th Offense – 3 days ISS - Parent Contact 5th Offense –3 days OSS - Parent Contact