

SMITH COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL

DRESS CODE

Students wearing articles of clothing or accessories that are not permitted will be sent to the office. Parents will be called to bring replacement clothing. The unacceptable article of clothing will be returned to the student's parent. Continued disregard of the dress code will result in further disciplinary action.

Shorts and skirts must be about two (2) inches below fingertip length when the arms are extended at the sides. Please remember that shorts that are appropriate in the fall may not be appropriate in the spring due to the growth of the student. Undergarments must not be visible.

Clothing that would be considered sleepwear or pajamas is prohibited.

Excessively revealing clothing is prohibited.

Shorts, pants and skirts must be size appropriate for the wearer with no sagging, bagging, or form fitting and must be worn secure at the waist so as not to reveal undergarments and to prevent pant legs from touching the floor. Pants that extend over the shoes and drag the ground are dangerous for daily school activities and are not permitted. Both straps on overalls must be fastened. Pants with snaps up the legs are not allowed.

Tank tops and mesh tops are not allowed unless a sleeved shirt is worn under/over them.

Clothing that exposes bare midriff is not allowed. Shirts must be long enough to tuck into pants, must have sleeves, and must be the appropriate size for the wearer. Extremely long shirts will be tucked in. All tops can be either crew neck (like a T-shirt) or with a collar.

Clothing and/or appearance that disrupts the educational process by drawing undesirable attention to the wearer will not be allowed. Students will not dress, groom, wear or use gang affiliations or gang signs, emblems, insignias, badges, or other symbols that distract other students, cause disruptions, or interfere with the operation of the school. Clothing shall be neat, clean, and shall not have holes, rips, or cuts. All holes (in pants) MUST have a patch or not be worn.

- Inappropriate or suggestive language on clothing is unacceptable.
- Visible tattoos, facial piercings, and tongue rings are prohibited.
- The wearing of caps, hats, knit hats, bandanas, and sunglasses in the school building is not permitted for boys or girls.
- Appropriate shoes must be worn at all times. High-heeled shoes are not appropriate for daily school activities. Shoes that might cut, mar, or otherwise damage school property must not be worn. (Skate shoes and cleats will not be allowed.)

- Offensive language or lewd pictures on clothing will not be permitted. The advertisement of alcohol, tobacco, or drugs is not permitted on clothing, backpacks, lunchboxes, etc. Symbols of alcoholic beverages, tobacco, drugs, or drug paraphernalia are prohibited.
- Makeup, perfumes/colognes, and fingernail polish that disrupt the daily educational process are discouraged. Hair MUST be kept out of the student's eyes. Unnaturally colored hair is prohibited. Hair will NOT be permitted to hang over eyes during the school day. Additionally, extreme hairstyles, such as Mohawks or spiked hair, which draw undue attention, are prohibited. Any accessory that is studded, spiked, contains chains, or in any way presents a potential danger or harm to self or others is prohibited.
- Long coats, heavy jackets, or raincoats must be stored upon entering the school building.
- Pants with straps, chains, graphics and/or writing on the seat are not permitted
- All shirts must be able to be tucked in when the student is seated, or an undershirt must be worn to prevent skin from being exposed.
- No holes in clothing.
- Students will not be allowed to roll backpacks in the school.