

Dr. Phinnize J. Fisher Middle School

Dress Code

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Fisher Middle School students are expected to dress and be groomed in such a way as to not distract or cause disruption in the educational program or orderly operation of the school. Personal appearance of students should promote health and safety, contribute to a climate conducive to teaching and learning and project a positive image of the District to the community. Students should dress for the educational setting and not the recreational one. Fisher Middle school follows the Greenville County School District dress code, but additional guidelines have been added that are specific to our school.

Greenville County School District establishes the following requirements for school dress code policies for students:

- Clothing and/or hair should not be so extreme or inappropriate to the school setting as to disrupt the education process. Therefore, clothing deemed distracting, revealing, overly suggestive or otherwise disruptive will not be permitted.
- Wearing accessories or clothing that could pose a safety threat to oneself or others is not allowed.
- Hats and sunglasses may not be worn in the building.
- Attire must not evidence membership or affiliation with a "gang" in any negative sense of the term.
- Proper shoes must be worn at all times.
- Attire must not be immodest, obscene, profane, lewd, vulgar, indecent or offensive.
- Clothing that inappropriately exposes body parts is not permitted. Students shall not expose undergarments.
- Pants must be worn at the natural waistline and undergarments are not to be visible. Pants and slacks must not bag, sag, or drag.
- No clothing, jewelry, or tattoos are permitted that display profanity, suggestive phrases, or advertisements for, or messages or pictures depicting or suggesting alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or sex.

Fisher Middle School also requires the following as part of our dress code:

- **Shoes:** Students may wear sandals as long as they have backs. No bedroom shoes, shower shoes, mesh type slippers, or shoes without backs are allowed. For safety reasons, students may not wear shoes with heels higher than 2.5 inches, and all shoelaces must be tied.
- **Pants, Shorts, Dresses, and Skirts:**
 - May be any solid color.
 - Free of holes or tears
 - Shorts, skirts, and dresses must be no shorter than the vertical length of the student's ID badge above the knee, and must assure modesty when seated, traveling the stairs, or managing daily activities.
 - Blue jeans, sweatpants, yoga pants,, jeggings, athletic pants, and athletic shorts are not allowed for ladies or gentlemen.
 - Solid colored leggings may be worn only under skirts or dresses.

Shirts, Dresses, and Jumpers:

- May be any solid color.
- Polo-/golf-style or Oxford-style collared shirts, short or long-sleeved.
- Shirts and collared dresses must be buttoned appropriately.
- The only logos allowed on shirts are small logos that reflect the maker of the shirt located on the left breast of the garment.
- Fisher logo wear, including t-shirts, may be worn any day of the week when accompanied with dress code bottoms

Outerwear:

- Sweater, sweatshirt, fleece, and/or jacket of any solid color may be worn.
- Outerwear may contain one primary logo of any size. For example: team logo, brand label, etc.

The administration will make the final judgment on the appropriateness of clothing and/or appearance and reserves the right to prohibit students from wearing any articles of clothing or other items which lead to or may foreseeably result in the disruption of or interference with the school environment. In the event the administration determines a student's dress is inappropriate for school in accordance with this policy, the

administration will either require the student to change before being allowed to attend class or will inform the student not to wear the garment to school again. Repeated violations of the dress code will be treated as disruptive behavior in violation of the District's Behavior Code.