

Dress Code

The primary objective of Greenville County Schools is to provide a World-Class instructional program and learning opportunity for every student. The personal appearance of every student is an important component of establishing a safe environment for optimal learning and respect for one another. Students are expected to dress in an appropriate manner while on school district property or when representing the school. Personal appearance shall be such that it does not disrupt student work or school order, become distracting to other students or violate health and safety guidelines.

- 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, "hoodies", bandanas, do-rags, and sunglasses may not be worn in the building.
- Attire must not show evidence of membership or affiliation with a "gang" in any negative sense of the term.
- Proper shoes must be worn at all times. (Flip flops, slides, slippers, bedroom shoes, shower shoes are not permitted)
- Attire must not be immodest, obscene, profane, lewd, vulgar, indecent or offensive. Lower garments should be of adequate length. Skirts and shorts must be at least fingertip length. Pants must be worn at the natural waistline and undergarments are not to be visible. If they do not fit properly, a belt must be worn to keep them in place. If a student is in need of a belt at school and does not have one, a zip tie may be provided for the student.
- Sleeveless attire cannot reveal undergarments. Shirts cannot be tight, low-cut or show cleavage. Shirts should be loose-fitting and fully cover the upper body. Shirt attire may not be longer than wrist length. Tank tops, halter tops, shirts with spaghetti straps and see-through shirts will not be allowed.
- Clothing must cover waist, shoulders and back with no skin showing between the top garment and bottom garment.
- Pants and slacks must not touch the floor (no bagging, sagging, or dragging clothing).
- No exposed undergarments.
- No transparent or mesh clothing without an appropriate shirt underneath.
- No clothing, jewelry, or tattoos are permitted that display profanity, suggestive phrases, or advertisements for, messages or pictures depicting or suggesting alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or sex.
- Holes in pants above the knee will not be permitted.
- Leggings, jeggings, tights, or yoga pants are not permitted unless they are worn with a shirt that fully covers the front and back areas when standing with his/her arms straight down.

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 and will inform the student not to wear the garment to school again. If a student does not have a change of clothes and a parent/guardian cannot bring them a change of clothes, the student will be sent to ISS for the remainder of the day. Repeated violations of the dress code will be treated as disruptive behavior in violation of the District's Behavior Code.