

<b>Sevier Middle School Student Dress Code</b>
<b>2019-2020 School Year</b>

Sevier Middle School students are expected to dress and be groomed in such a way as to not distract or cause disruption to the educational process or orderly operation of the school. Personal appearance and hygiene of students should promote health and safety, contribute to a climate conducive to learning, support career readiness, and project a positive image of the school to the community.

- Clothing and/or hair should not be so extreme or inappropriate to the school setting as to disrupt the school. Therefore, clothing deemed distracting, revealing, overly suggestive, or otherwise disruptive will not be permitted.
- No clothing or jewelry is permitted that displays profanity, suggestive phrases, advertisements for, or messages or pictures that depict or suggest alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or sex.
- Students may not display tattoos.
- Students may not have visible writing on their body.
- Wearing accessories or clothing that could pose a safety threat to oneself or others is not allowed.
- Attire must not evidence membership or affiliation with a "gang" in any negative sense of the term.
- Attire must not be immodest, obscene, profane, lewd, vulgar, indecent or offensive.
- All students will wear a polo-type or button front shirt. This collared and sleeved shirt or pullover top must be designed to fully close across the chest to the neck if completely buttoned, snapped, or zipped. Shirts with attached turtlenecks and mock-turtlenecks are allowed.
  - a) Official and unaltered Sevier T-shirts or closed-neck Sevier hoodies will be allowed without a collared shirt on any school day. On game days only, school athletes (MS or HS) may wear their jerseys (with sleeves) without a collar underneath.
  - b) Shirts cannot be too tight across the body or show cleavage. Students may not display a tank top under an open shirt front, nor tie up the shirt to expose an undershirt or midriff.
  - c) Sweatshirts, Fleece pullovers, and light jackets may be worn over dress code compliant shirts for student comfort.
  - d) If a T-shirt or athletic jersey is worn, it must be over or under the buttoned up collared shirt.
  - e) T-shirts may be worn only during Physical Education/Health class as considered part of a uniform.
- Clothing must cover the waist and back with no skin showing between the top and bottom garments, to include while seated or raising your hand.
- Pants, jeans, shorts, and skirts:
  - a) Wear at the natural waistline -- undergarments (including athletic shorts) must not be visible
  - b) Wear a belt if necessary to keep pants in place
  - c) May not be too baggy nor immodestly form to the body
  - d) Skin tight pants, thin or clingy warm-up pants, or stretchy, fitted pants are not allowed
  - e) Running shorts and pajama pants are not allowed
  - f) Leggings or "jeggings" are allowed under a skirt, or shorts that are an ID length above the knee (3 inches).
  - g) No tears, shreds, or holes in lower garments may show 3 inches above the knee.
  - h) Skirts, shorts and dresses must be an ID length (3 inches) from the knee AND must assure modesty when seated, travelling the stairs, or managing daily activities
- Students must wear shoes, sandals, or sneakers at all times. Rubber flip flops, slides, or bedroom slippers are not allowed (defined as footwear that the heel separates from the sole).
- Students may not wear hats or sunglasses on campus (except for Field Day and special occasions).

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 that lead to or may 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 either will require the student to change or will inform the student not to wear the garment to school again.