

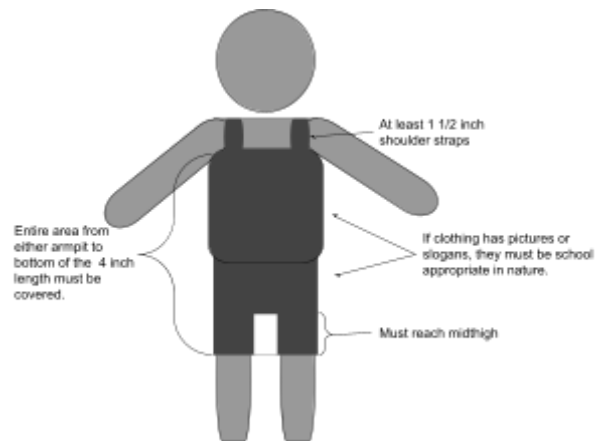


Dress Code

The administration of each school has the authority to notify students and parents of modifications to the dress code for spirit days and other school celebrations, as particular items pose a disruption, or as other circumstances arise. The new dress code is aiming to be inclusive of all genders, body types, cultures, and ethnicities. Specific questions should be directed to administrators of each building.

Students are expected to dress appropriately for a K-12 educational environment. Any clothing that interferes with or disrupts the educational environment is unacceptable. Clothing with language or images that are vulgar, discriminatory, or obscene, or clothing that promotes illegal or violent conduct, such as the unlawful use of weapons, drugs, alcohol, tobacco/vapor devices, or drug paraphernalia or clothing that contains threats such as gang symbols (i.e. bandanas) are prohibited.

1. The front and back of the body, from the armpit down to mid-thigh, all skin must be covered. Shirt straps¹ must be 1½ inch or wider.
2. Messages on clothing, chains, jewelry, and personal belongings that pertain to drugs, alcohol, tobacco/vapor devices, sex, gangs, vulgarity, or that could cause a substantial disruption to the learning environment are not allowed.
3. All clothing must cover undergarments at all times on school property.
4. Sheer and see-through clothing must have solid material underneath that follow the box as seen above.
5. All shoes must contain a sole; slippers and shoes with wheels "Heelys" are not allowed. For safety reasons, elementary students are encouraged to wear athletic shoes or closed toe shoes with a rubber sole and should wear such shoes for Physical Education and recess.
6. Only prescription glasses may be worn in the building.
7. No hats or hoods allowed unless required for cultural, religious or medical reasons.
8. During school hours, grooming products must remain in a bookbag, including but not limited to; combs and brushes.



Clarifications/Definitions

1. The piece of the garment that allows it to be hung on a hanger.
2. Shirt strap widths are different based on the age and maturity level of the group.

Disciplinary Actions

Elementary

- Parents of students who violate the dress code will be contacted to provide appropriate clothing for their child, if necessary

Secondary

- 1st Offense – Warning with opportunity to change clothes to correct dress code violation
- 2nd Offense – Mandatory parent conference or one (1) day in-school suspension
- 3rd Offense – Two (2) or more days of in-school suspension
- Further dress code violations may result in further disciplinary action.

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Cell Phones

Students are prohibited from inappropriate texting, etc. Cell phones are allowed in all common areas (hallways and cafeteria). Students are prohibited from using cell phones in the classroom unless approved by the classroom teacher for instructional use only. Students should not make or receive calls from cell phones during school hours. Students may use the school phone located in the front office to make calls to parents/guardians in emergency situations.

Students will be asked to put the cell phone away if exposed in the classroom without permission. If a student refuses the request, the teacher will ask the student to turn in the phone until the end of the class period. If the student refuses the teacher's request, the cell phone will be confiscated for parent pick up.

If the student refuses to turn in the cell phone, the student could receive a disciplinary referral for defiance.

It is not the goal of the school to confiscate a student's cell phone; however, cell phones should not be used inappropriately, and cell phones should not be used to cause a distraction in the learning environment. If you need to contact your child, please call the main office. We ask all parents to discuss the appropriate use of cellphones in school with their student/s.

We want our students in school, but we do not want inappropriate behavior. Parental support of the school is vital to a student's success.

We encourage parental support with all discipline and dress code expectations.

Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS)

This year, DHS will also implement the **Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS)** program.

Positive Referrals

This year, students will also have the opportunity to receive positive referrals for going above and beyond by displaying positive behavior which includes but not limited to:

- Following school rules
- Being respectful and helpful to teachers and other students
- Volunteering without being asked
- Showing extra effort in class