

STUDENT DRESS CODE

The Opelika City Board of Education and administration recognize the effect that student dress and grooming have upon student behavior and commitment to learning. In order to maintain an atmosphere that is safe and conducive to learning, the following guidelines have been adopted. The goal of the dress code is to encourage students to dress in a manner that promotes habits that lead to success.

- **Students must wear clothing that covers the area from the shoulders to mid-thigh. (See diagram)**
- **Pants, shorts, and skirts must be worn at the waist and should fit properly.**
- **Skirts, shorts, and dresses must be mid-thigh or longer in front and back.**
- **Undergarments must be worn in an appropriate manner and should not be visible.**
- **Tops must have sleeves with a minimum width of two inches.**
- **Pajamas should not be worn to school.**
- **T-shirts or any other type clothing or personal item bearing a reference to firearms, weapons, alcoholic beverages, tobacco products, drugs, drug-related slogans, sexual references, gang affiliation and/or any other wording, drawings, pictures, etc., which in any way can be interpreted as suggestive, obscene, offensive, or relating to violence, etc., are not permitted.**
- **No sunglasses, hats, hoods, or other head coverings are to be worn during the regular school day.**
- **Students are required to wear appropriate shoes to school at all times--no bare feet.**

Students in violation of the dress code will be required to change immediately. If this requires checking out, the absence is unexcused.

If any aspect of the Dress Code becomes a consistent problem, appropriate adjustments will be made by the administration to address the situation.

The administration of Opelika City Schools maintains the absolute authority in making subjective judgments concerning student dress and personal appearance.

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STUDENT DRESS CODE-DIAGRAM

