

Pittsylvania County Schools

Middle & High School Dress Code

Effective 2023-2024

Adopted by the Pittsylvania County School Board on November 8, 2022

The Administration reserves the right to determine appropriateness of dress.

These guidelines shall be equally applicable to all students regardless of gender:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Shoes must be worn at all times on school grounds. Bedroom slippers are prohibited. For safety, teachers may require a particular type of shoe for lab, shop, or gym activities.❖ Students shall be permitted to wear a head covering and/or hairstyle that is religiously and/or ethnically specific or significant in school. All other types of head coverings shall be placed in lockers upon arriving at school. Hats, hoods and bandanas cannot be worn in the building.❖ Headbands or headwraps are permitted but may not exceed a width of 2 inches.❖ Apparel, jewelry, accessories, visible tattoos, or manner of grooming that, by virtue of its color, arrangement, trademark, or any other attribute, denotes membership in a gang or advocates an illegal or disruptive behavior is prohibited.❖ Garments and accessories which are disruptive, pose a risk of injury, or compromise the safety of the student or others are prohibited.❖ Sunglasses cannot be worn in the building.❖ Headphones/earbuds shall be placed out of sight upon entering the building.❖ Pajamas or sleepwear, costumes, and blankets are prohibited in the school building and on buses.❖ Large or bulky coats/jackets shall be placed in lockers during the school day.❖- Athletes shall not be in full uniform during the school day; uniform tops meeting the dress code may be worn. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖- All apparel must be opaque (not see-through) with no visible skin showing and cover at least two (2) inches of each shoulder and all areas from one armpit across to the other armpit down to 4 inches above the knee, both in the front and back. Shoulder straps shall be at least two inches in width.❖ Clothing may not depict, imply, advertise, or advocate illegal, violent, or lewd conduct; nudity; weapons; or the use of alcohol, tobacco, marijuana or other controlled substances.❖ Clothing may not display or imply vulgar, discriminatory, or obscene language or images.❖- Clothing may not display, imply, or depict hate speech/imagery targeting groups based on race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, religious affiliation, or any other protected classification.❖- Rips, tears, or sheer sections in clothing must be in areas other than those required to be covered in opaque (not see-through) material or be worn over opaque fabric.❖ If leggings, compression or yoga pants are worn, opaque (not see-through) apparel that is fingertip length using the longest finger on the hand of the student, both in the front and back, must also be worn.❖ Pants must be worn at the waist. No undergarments shall be visible at any time.❖ Weapon-related attire is prohibited unless it is part of a school-sponsored club or activity. |
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