



TRUSSVILLE CITY SCHOOLS STUDENT DRESS CODE

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The Trussville City Board of Education recognizes the effect of student dress upon safety and the learning environment. In order to maintain a safe environment that is conducive to learning, attire considered disruptive or that seriously distracts from the learning environment or that could present a health or safety problem is not allowed.

Unless an exemption is authorized by a school administrator, the following rules concerning dress and grooming are mandatory for all students attending Trussville City Schools. Non-conformity to the dress code is a Class I offense and will be treated as such. In addition, students will be asked to come into compliance with the dress code immediately. Parents will be contacted and may be asked to furnish appropriate clothing.

Students should adhere to the following guidelines:

- All clothing must cover undergarments and midriff at all times and should cover the body in an appropriate manner. Midriff is defined as the region of the front of the body between the chest and the waist.
- Clothing which has open sides, back, or reveals midriff area is prohibited. Midriff is defined as the region of the front of the body between the chest and the waist.
- Tank tops must have a 2-finger width to be worn without coverage.
- Halter and spaghetti straps are not allowed unless worn underneath clothing that complies with Dress Code.
- All yoga pants, tights, leggings, or jeggings must cover the student's undergarments and may not reveal midriff.
- Shorts, skirts, dresses and skorts should be measured using the student's fingertips when hands are down on their sides.
- There should be no holes or rips revealing skin above the knee of pants, shorts, dresses, or skirts.
- Baseball caps, hats, sweatshirt hoods, toboggans and sunglasses are not to be worn at any time in the school building.
- Clothing and/or personal items bearing reference to alcoholic beverages, tobacco products, drugs, drug-related slogans, sexual activity, violence, or any other wording, drawing, or picture that in any way is questionable or can be reasonably interpreted as inappropriate are prohibited.
- Clothing or personal items, or visible references which identify a student as associated with a gang, or any subversive, unlawful, or unauthorized organizations are prohibited.
- Rubber or hard soled shoes must be worn.
- Pajamas, pajama pants, house shoes or bedroom slippers, and blankets are not allowed.
- Air pods or headphones may not be worn during the school day unless for academic purposes.
- Principals may establish different rules for dress for special occasions during the school day or extracurricular events.

THE PRINCIPAL OR HIS/HER DESIGNEE SHALL HAVE FINAL AUTHORITY IN DETERMINING ACCEPTABLE OR UNACCEPTABLE DRESS.