

Wagoner Public Schools

KG-5 Student Dress Code

Good grooming promotes pride and good behavior and is a very important part of the general training of young people. The training is a cooperative effort of the school, parents and students. The intent of the student dress code is to restrict extremes and indecency, which would interfere with the District's educational mission or threaten the safety of students. The hallmark of the exercise of disciplinary action shall be fairness. The foundation of a dress code is to provide appropriate standards for student appearance and to assist in maintaining student behavior, which is conducive to the learning environment.

The building administrator shall have the authority to determine the appropriateness of any attire not specified below. In making such determination, the administrator shall consider whether the clothing, hairstyle, and/or accessory presents a safety hazard, is revealing, or disrupts the teaching and/or learning or has a factual and substantial history of creating such disruption. The following dress code for all students is established:

Attire

1. **Skirts and Dresses:** The skirt or dress must extend two (2) inches beyond the longest finger on the hand with the shoulders in a relaxed position and shall not be revealing, disruptive, or distract from the educational process. Skirt openings (slits) must not expose the upper leg, higher than the 2 inch-beyond-the-longest-finger-rule stated above.
2. **Tops:** Any shirt, blouse or sweater may be worn with the following conditions:
 - a. "See-through" shirts or blouses **may not** be worn.
 - b. Shirts and blouses must be properly buttoned and cannot expose the midriff when arms are raised from the side.
 - c. Any article of clothing which exposes the back or midriff may not be worn. Tank tops and muscle shirts may be worn, but not as primary garments (sleeved shirt underneath is acceptable).
 - d. Shirt, dress, and sleeve openings must not expose the torso, chest or undergarments. Tank top/spaghetti strap styled sleeveless dresses or shirts may be worn, but not as primary garments (sleeved shirt underneath is required).
3. **Pants:** Pants, jeans, or slacks of styles, which are neat and clean, are acceptable.
 - a. Pants that drag on the floor are not acceptable for school wear. Pants which are frayed or have holes are prohibited when the frayed material or hole(s) are in the area as described by the "finger tip rule" in item number 4 below. This area begins with the top of the waist band of properly worn pants (including shorts and skirts) to the tip of the longest finger on the student's hand. Pants that have been permanently patched in order to cover the area(s) with holes or frayed material are acceptable. Clothing that is purposely ripped, torn, and/or cut in a manner that causes a distraction to the operation of school or safety risk to the student or others is prohibited.
 - b. Form-fitting, stretch material may not be worn as a primary outer garment. Tights and leggings may be worn only under other garments which meet the provisions of the dress code.
 - c. Nylon warm-up and wind suits are acceptable for school wear.
 - d. Sagging is not acceptable.

- e. Pants may not ride low exposing the torso or back or undergarments.
- f. Pajama style pants are not appropriate for school wear.

4. **Shorts:** Shorts, which are properly hemmed and of appropriate length are acceptable for school wear. No cut-offs are permitted without a hem. Form-fitting, stretch material may not be worn as a primary outer garment. Shorts must extend to the tip of the longest finger on the hand with the shoulders in a relaxed position. Shorts with a slit on the sides are not acceptable for school wear.
5. **Shoes:** Flip flops, house shoes, or skate shoes will not be allowed. Shoes must fit properly for safety reasons. Sandals will be allowed if secured by straps around the heel.
6. **Accessories:** Examples of accessories which are not acceptable include the following:
 - a. Non-fashion headbands, arm bands, leg bands.
 - b. Hats, hoods and caps when worn in the building.
 - c. **Gang symbols.** As part of an effort to curb the presence and influence of gangs in schools, the wearing, possessing, using, distributing, displaying, or selling any clothing, jewelry, emblems, badges, symbols, signs, graffiti, or other items that are evidence of membership in or affiliation with gang or other secret society is prohibited.
 - d. Thick metal chains, choke chains, wallet chains, chains connecting one part of the body to another, etc.
7. **Hair:** No extreme hairstyles: Includes extreme Mohawks and/or bright colored dye or paint.
8. Minimal fashion hi-lights are acceptable.