

DRESS AND GROOMING

“Decades of educational research reveal that students with a dress code do better academically and socially.” www.ouryeah.org

The basic responsibility for appearance falls upon the students and parents.

Any fashion (dress, accessory, or hairstyle) that disrupts the educational process or presents a safety risk will not be permitted.

Students not complying may be removed from the educational setting.

Students should consider the following questions when dressing for school:

- Does my clothing expose too much or do I have to keep adjusting it so it doesn't? (no)
- Does my clothing advertise something that is prohibited to minors? (no)
- Are there obscene, profane, drug-related, gang-related, or inflammatory messages on my clothing? (no)
- Am I dressed appropriately for the weather? (yes)
- Do I feel comfortable with my appearance? (yes)

Personal expression is permitted within these general guidelines.

- headgear shall not be worn in the building before, during or after school
- spaghetti strap and shirts advertising alcohol or tobacco products are examples of inappropriate clothing
- tank tops must be accessorized with an additional shirt or blouse
- leggings are allowed when accessorized with a longer top
- shorts/skirts/dresses may not be worn if too short or tight as in bike shorts or cutoffs. All shorts, skirts, and dresses must extend to the fingertips when arms are fully extended.
- students are prohibited from engaging in speech or conduct including wearing clothing, jewelry or hair style which is profane, indecent, lewd, vulgar or offensive to the school environment
- shoes must be worn at all times
- in certain classes, special dress requirements will be established for health and safety reasons
- no gloves to be worn in the building
- no sleeping attire
- no confederate flags
- no pants with holes above the knee area
- no sun-glasses in the building
- no trousers that are cut too low or hang too low
- no blouses/shirts that are too revealing