

DRESS CODE for Wallace Middle School

Students attending Wallace Middle School are expected to dress in an appropriate manner conducive to a positive learning environment for all. Students' dress attire should not interfere with classroom procedures. Students are expected to wear clothing, jewelry, and accessories that are not disruptive to the educational process and that do not violate a healthy and safe atmosphere. Students who come to school inappropriately dressed or in violation of the dress code shown below will be dealt with according to appropriate disciplinary actions.

Shirts/Tops/Blouses, etc.

- *UNDERGARMENTS* cannot be exposed.
- Midriff shirts, tank tops, halter tops, spaghetti strap tops, and low-cut tops are not appropriate in the school environment. Chest, back, and shoulders must be covered.
- Shirts/Tops/Blouses worn outside the waist band must be of sufficient length that no flesh is exposed when standing or sitting.
- Boys' shirts must have sleeves.
- Clothing with slogans or advertisements that are disruptive, obscene, inflammatory, or promote drugs, alcohol, tobacco, violence, or profanity is prohibited.
- Students are prohibited to wear, carry, or display gang paraphernalia or anything associated with gangs or hate groups.

Pants

- *UNDERGARMENTS* cannot be exposed
- Pants must be worn at the waist and be size appropriate. **NO SAGGING PANTS.** No holes, tears, or rips are permitted in inappropriate places.
- Hip huggers can only be worn with a top that extends to the waistband of the pants and no flesh is exposed when standing or sitting.
- Pajamas are **NOT** to be worn.

Shorts, Skirts, Dresses

- The length of shorts, skirts, and dresses must be of sufficient length to be no shorter than the width of dollar-bill above the knee.
- Slits must be no more than one inch above the length allowed.
- Backless dresses, low cut dresses, or dresses with spaghetti straps will not be permitted. Back, shoulders, and chest must be covered.

Jewelry

- Industrial chains, pet chains, and collars are **NOT** allowed to be worn around the neck, wrist, or waist.
- Chains attached to wallets must be less than 8 inches long.
- Chains worn as jewelry must be small enough that they would break if jerked by another individual.
- No face jewelry, needles, or pins through the flesh may be worn.

Shoes

- Shoes must be worn at all times.

Gloves

- Gloves should be kept in lockers during the school day.

Head Coverings

- No head coverings are permitted, unless authorized by a school administrator or prescribed by a doctor. These are to be placed in your locker or backpack upon arrival at school. Head coverings are not to be visible during the school day.
- Head coverings include, but are not limited to:
 - Hats , Scarves, Sweatbands, Stockings, Do-rags, Toboggan

Accessories

- May not be disruptive to the educational process. They must be free of offensive or suggestive words, graphics, contain no references to drugs, alcohol, tobacco, illegal/immoral substances, or activities.

Coats - Heavy coats and trench coats must be left in lockers.

Blankets – are not needed.