

Northeast Middle School Dress Code:

This dress code is politely enforced to set a standard of what is appropriate for our learning environment while still taking into consideration self-expression, self-confidence, and comfort. The language within this code was revised by students, teachers, and administration to eliminate feelings of discrimination and to provide clarity as to what is acceptable at Northeast Middle School. The primary responsibility for determining appropriate dress is with the home. Common sense is usually the best guide.

- Clothing which contains suggestive, derogatory, offensive, or sexual references is not allowed. This includes profanity, references to alcohol and/or drugs. Additionally, clothing should not mock, intimidate or demean other individuals or groups.
- Head coverings, including baseball hats are not permitted to be worn in the building during any part of the school day, unless religiously mandated or medically necessary.
- Costumes, sleepwear, etc. are allowed only as part of authorized, publicized special events.
- Shoes must be worn at all times.
- Coats, jackets, sacks, backpacks and outerwear must be left in the locker.
- Neatness and cleanliness are important.
- Chains, handcuffs, or other metal paraphernalia are not allowed.

Upper body garments:

- Must completely cover the midriff at all times.
- Must be made with opaque material (e.g., no mesh, lace, or see through outerwear).
- Sleeveless shirts should have straps a minimum of two inches in width (generally three fingers wide) and cover the sides of the student up to the underarm.
- Cleavage should not be readily exposed.
- Shirts chosen should be able to cover bra straps with an attempt to keep them covered.

Lower Body Garments

- Must completely cover the buttocks, private areas and underwear at all times.
- Must be made with opaque material (e.g., no thin tights revealing undergarments, lace material, mesh, etc.).
- Skirts will be a length so that when you stand in a relaxed fashion with your arms down to your sides, they reach at or beyond the end of your fingertips. Shorts inseams must be 3" or longer.
- Students may not wear sagging pants, or pants which have holes exposing skin higher on the thigh than what is allowable for skirts.

If a student's dress is determined to be inappropriate for school, parents will be contacted through the office referral process. For repeated violations of the dress code, school discipline procedures will be followed.