

Proposed Revision to ACS Dress Code

Auburn City Schools is a working and learning environment. All ACS students are encouraged to observe a standard of grooming and dress consistent with the importance of the school's mission of education. The Board and Administration recognize and appreciate the role of parents/guardians in assisting their children in making appropriate choices regarding their clothing while attending school within the boundaries provided by this dress code. Please refer to the ACS dress code diagrams and detailed description below.

The school principal or their designee will have the final decision in determining whether apparel meets the dress code requirements. Elementary School Administrators (grades K-5) will have the authority to allow for variances that are age appropriate to students.

While it is understood that specialized courses may require specific attire, such as uniforms or safety gear, students in violation of the dress code will be required to change immediately. If this requires a student to checkout, the absence will be marked as unexcused. If violations become chronic, additional consequences may include progressive measures of discipline.

Guidelines:

1. Clothing should fit properly and be the correct size for the student.
2. Any article of clothing, apparel, or personal accessory (including hair style) depicting violence, drugs, alcohol, firearms, weapons, tobacco, mutilation, sexual reference, gang affiliation, illegal behavior, language or symbols that could be considered suggestive, offensive, or obscene will not be permitted.
3. Undergarments must be worn as intended and in compliance with other provisions of the dress code; undergarments should not be visible.
4. Transparent garments must be worn with opaque apparel underneath to maintain required coverage (this includes see-through fabric, rips, holes, and tears.)
5. Jewelry and accessories that interfere with the safe learning environment are not permitted (heavy metal chains, spikes, etc.)
6. Sunglasses, hats, hoods, or head covering (including bandanas, scarves, wraps, etc.) are not to be worn in school buildings except as related to medical needs, religious practices, or as a component of a school uniform (CTE, band, athletics.)
7. Pajamas should not be worn in school. (This includes sleep pants and onesies.)
8. Appropriate shoes must be worn at all times. House shoes, slippers, shoes with cleats, shoes with wheels are not permitted.
9. Shirts/Tops:
 - a. must have sleeves with a minimum of two-inch width (2") on shoulder
 - b. must not be low cut, off the shoulder, or racer back
 - c. must overlap with pants/bottoms to conceal abdomen/waist - including during activity
 - d. crop tops, exposed midriff, or bare sides are not permitted
10. Pants/Shorts/Skirts/Skorts/Dresses:
 - a. must be worn at the waist level and fit properly
 - b. garment must cover upper thigh and measure five inches (5") or longer from end of torso in front and in back; length is measured when standing
 - c. apparel must be appropriate for student participation in all school activities
 - d. rips or tears must be below 5" from end of torso unless concealed by material beneath holes