

2023-2024 DRESS CODE

St. Clair County Schools

The St. Clair County Board of Education promotes an environment where students can dress comfortably. Proper standards of dress and grooming are always expected of all students. As a general guideline, any manner of dress deemed inappropriate or disruptive during the scholastic day and/or during the practice for, or performance in, extra-curricular activities will not be allowed. The school administration has the authority to determine whether a student is following dress code regulations.

SCHOOL DRESS CODE-GRADES K-12

Measurement Definitions for ALL students (use these definitions for items below):

Skirts/Dresses/Shorts – must touch the length of the longest finger with hands to the side of body when standing in natural posture position.
Pants/Jeans etc. - Pants/jeans must fit properly and be worn at the natural waistline. The length of the pants/jeans must not be longer than mid-shoe level.
Shirts/Tops – must not show the midriff with hands at 180 degrees above head.

The parents/guardians should supervise the manner of a student's dress.

- 1) Headgear including, but not limited to hats, caps, headbands, sweatbands, bandanas, visors, do rags, hoods, and sunglasses, must be removed upon entering the school building and shall be properly stored.
- 2) Hair must be clean, combed, and well-groomed. Hair must not be in the eyes of the student or impair his/her vision. Appropriate safety precautions must be observed in all classes. If long hair is a safety hazard, students will receive directions from the teacher/instructor. Eye protection may be required in some classes. Whenever a student's hairstyle becomes a disruptive issue, the principal will address the problem on an individual basis. Etchings in the hair are unacceptable.
- 3) Facial hair must be well-groomed.
- 4) Insignias, buttons, and clothing that are suggestive (alcoholic beverages, tobacco, vulgarity, nudity, drug-related, etc.) are not permitted.
- 5) Clothing or other items that may inflame racial tension, incite a significant group of students in the student body, and/or depict any form of hatred/disrespect of others shall not be worn.
- 6) Any hairstyle, clothing, or pattern of dress or other items that identify a student as being a member of a gang or could be perceived as a threat or represent a hate or subversive organization are prohibited.
- 7) Jewelry or belts with spikes or studs are not allowed. Chains not exceeding 6" in length will be allowed to connect wallets to clothing.