

Autauga County Schools

DRESS CODE

The policy of the Autauga County Board of Education is that good grooming and personal appearance are critical elements in the teaching and learning process. It is expected that administrators, teachers, and students will dress in such a manner that will provide quality learning experiences and will ensure the health and safety of those involved.

Consistent enforcement of the Dress Code is the responsibility of the local school administrators and teachers.

Students in grades kindergarten through twelve must dress in a manner that will ensure health and safety, not be distracting to others, and non-disruptive of the program. Shoes must be worn at all times.

The following articles of clothing and other items are not allowed.

- ⊗ Strapless dresses
- ⊗ “Spaghetti straps”, “tee tops”, and “muscle shirts”
- ⊗ Mini skirts and short shorts
For grades K-12, shorts should not be overly tight and should be properly fitted at waist height. Additionally for grades 5-12, shorts should be walking-type shorts, not athletic shorts with wide legs and/or slits. Shorts should not be shorter than mid-thigh. Skirts should be no more than three (3) inches above the knee when standing, or at the discretion of the principal of designee for tall students.
- ⊗ Overalls unfastened or with bibs down
- ⊗ Belts unfastened
- ⊗ Picks or combs in hair
- ⊗ Clothing with decals or slogans containing profanity, inferring obscene/indecent commentary or referring to immoral/illegal behavior
- ⊗ Over-sized clothes large enough to conceal objects or weapons
- ⊗ Bagging/sagging pants worn below the waistline.
Pants should be worn at waist height with proper fit. Pants legs should reflect regular straight-legged jeans. No big bell-bottom type pants or large over-sized pants are allowed. Pants legs should not drag on the floor.
- ⊗ Exposed midriffs – short tops, low-waist pants
- ⊗ Facial jewelry or large dangling earrings
Only small earrings or stud-type earrings appropriate for school are allowed.
- ⊗ Hats, caps, and sunglasses inside the school facility
- ⊗ Gloves, except when outside the building during cold weather
- ⊗ Bandannas or scarves
- ⊗ Flip-flops or sneakers which are unlaced or untied
- ⊗ Clothing made of sheer fabric or spandex
- ⊗ Clothing which is too short, too tight, or too revealing causing distraction of others

CELL PHONES OR OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES – Cell phones or other electronic devices including, but not limited to, digital cameras, camcorders, PDA’s, MP3 players, and headphones, must not be visible during the school day and must be turned off *completely* – not on “silent” or “vibrate” mode. The use of camera cell phones for taking or disseminating pictures is strictly forbidden. Violations of this policy may be treated as intermediate or major offenses.

Any telephone communication during the instructional day will take place on school telephones with permission from office personnel. Parents should continue to call the school for any emergency situation. The Autauga County School District shall not assume any responsibility for the theft, loss, or damage to cell phones or other electronic devices or for the unauthorized calls made on a cell phone.

PROHIBITION OF CERTAIN ACTIVITIES
