

# Tuscumbia City Schools

## DRESS CODE

The faculty and staff of Deshler High School believe that good grooming and personal appearance are essential elements in the teaching and learning processes. Therefore, it is expected that students dress in such a manner that will ensure the health and safety of the school. Furthermore, the dress and personal appearance will not be a disturbance to the learning process or interfere with the legitimate interest and welfare of the students.

Wearing apparel, jewelry, make-up, or any mannerisms related to style which are determined by the principal or his designee to be a distraction to the educational process of the school or harmful to the safety of any student shall be prohibited. Students are not to wear tank tops, midriff tops, halter-tops, or shorts other than walking shorts. Shorts are to be no shorter than 5 inches above the middle of the patella (kneecap). Biker shorts, umbros, tight fitting or form-fitting shorts will not be permitted. Shorts with holes in them will not be allowed. Pants and other garments with holes above the knee will not be allowed. "Sagging" is not permitted at Deshler High.

Pajama pants are not allowed, unless specified by a school sponsored activity (i.e. spirit days during homecoming)

Except for normal piercing of the ears and wearing of earrings that do not distract or draw unnecessary attention, wearing of other body piercing items on any part of the body is not allowed at Deshler.

All shirts, including jerseys, must be tucked. Excessively long and/or bulky oversized shirts and outer garments (pants, shirts, or coats/jackets will not be permitted. Each teacher will be the judge if any additional decisions must be made of what is permitted in his/her class and must be obeyed concerning student wear. Students are expected to wear shoes or sandals at all times. Dress and blouse shoulder straps must be at least two (2) inches in width. No off-the-shoulder/strapless garments are permitted at Deshler High School. The torso must remain covered. Hats, caps, or any other head covering are not to be worn in any of the buildings, including all athletic events in the gym. Sunglasses are not to be worn in the buildings.

Clothing, paraphernalia, or devices, which are judged to be related to or associated with gang affiliation or gang activity, are prohibited. Pacifiers and other similar items are not permitted at school. Clothing and other apparel with sharp points and/or objects will not be allowed. **Clothing with pictures, writing, and/or symbols promoting the use of drugs, tobacco, alcohol, or sexual activity shall be considered a distraction to the educational process and is therefore prohibited.** All offenders of the dress code will be subject to disciplinary action. This may involve the office notifying the parents for a change of clothing, detention, or sending the student to ISS for the remainder of the day. Students who miss class for violating the dress code will be given an un-excused absence for the classes missed. Clothing and/or any other method of advertising any musical/singing individuals or groups except those of Deshler or Deshler Middle School is not permitted at Deshler.