

Holmes High School

SBDM Council Policy

Dress Code Best Practice Policy

In order to maintain an environment that provides for the care, welfare, safety, and security of all members of the school community, students will be required to follow certain guidelines for clothing. The administration reserves the right to determine whether or not a garment is appropriate for school.

Shirts/Dresses

- Must cover at least three inches from the neck to the shoulders.
- The stomach, back, and chest must be covered. Shirts and upper body garments must come to the waist.
- Shirts/blouses that are sheer/see-through are also in violation of the dress code expectations.
- Must be free of logos that include profanity, crudity, sexual references, gang symbols, or references to drugs or alcohol.
- Hooded sweatshirts are permitted, but the hood must be down at all times. If the hood is up, then the hoodie may be confiscated.

Pants/Shorts/Skirts

- Must be worn at the waist and must cover anything worn underneath.
- Must be free of accessories, such as chains, that have the potential to cause bodily harm.
- Short skirts, short shorts or any clothing that is too short is not allowed. (The length of shorts or skirts is determined by placing the arms down by each side and having fingertips fully extended, touching material.) Any dress or skirt slit must meet the same fingertip requirement. Outer garments that are worn over tights or leggings are to follow the same length expectations as shorts or skirts.

Prohibited Items

- Hats, tams, doo-rags, beanies/winter sock hats, visors or other full-head coverings are not to be worn in the building. If a student is found to be in violation, the head covering may be confiscated and returned to the student at the end of the week.
- Face/Body painting is prohibited. Exceptions to this may be made by administration to support a spirit day or school-sanctioned event.
- Tights, leggings, yoga pants, exercise pants, jeggings, stockings or spandex may only be worn under approved dress of the appropriate length.

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