

2026 - 2027 Parkers Chapel School District Dress Code Policy

Student dress, grooming, and appearance should be the responsibility of the individual and his or her parents, guardian, or *loco parentis* under the following guidelines:

- Students' dress and grooming should be clean and in keeping with health and sanitary practices.
- Students may not wear clothing or hairstyles that can be hazardous to them in their educational activities such as lab work, physical education, art, or on-the-job training.
- Clothing should be modest and not revealing.
- Students' dress and grooming should not substantially disrupt the educational process.
- Students shall not wear or use emblems, insignias, badges, or other symbols that cause substantial disruption or interference with the operation of the school. Alcohol or tobacco-related advertisements or sexually suggestive messages will not be allowed. Example: "Hooters" T-Shirts will not be allowed.
- Students shall not wear tank tops, halter tops, or halter-like upper garments. (Elementary students may wear tank tops with at least 2" wide straps and as long as they are appropriately covered as deemed appropriate by the teacher or principal.)
- Students shall not wear clothing if it reveals cleavage or the midriff when arms are raised.
- Students' dresses, skorts/skirts, and shorts lengths must be longer than the student's fingertips when his/her arms hang at the student's sides. (Elementary student's shorts not be measured [meet the fingertip rule] but are required to well cover the student while sitting, squatting, and bending). Students will be sent home to change clothing that is too short, as determined by the teacher or principal. Second-time offenders will not be allowed to wear the offending garment for the remainder of the semester.
- Students' sunglasses must be removed upon entering the building.
- Students' leggings/tights must be covered by a proper outer garment.
- Students shall not wear running shorts (shorts with a side v cut out/slit).
- Students' pants shall be worn at the waist. If necessary, a belt shall be worn and buckled. Overalls will have the straps buckled.
- Gang-related attire; bandannas on the head or hanging from the pocket will not be permitted. Chains dangling from the belt are not allowed. Insignias that can be inflammatory will not be allowed on campus even during ball games or at school functions.

- Students shall not wear hats, hoods, or caps on campus during the school day. Toboggans can be worn outside when the temperature is extremely cold. Caps may be worn by baseball/softball teams during practice on the ball fields. No other type of headwear is permitted unless approved by the principal.
- Students shall not wear house shoes, sleep pants, blankets, and/or pajamas.
- Students shall not wear P.E./Athletic practice gear to class; PE/Athletic practice gear can only be worn at practice and during P.E. class.
- Students' athletic uniforms, worn in the classrooms, must follow the dress code.
- Students' pants or shorts cannot have holes in them that can be seen through above the knee, higher than the fingertip rule. Any hole above the knee, higher than the ends of the fingertips, must have cloth or a patch sewn in underneath.

Any student, who is inappropriately dressed, according to the above guidelines, will be asked to correct his/her attire immediately. The procedure may include sending the student home to change the articles of clothing in question.

Absences due to this will be counted as unexcused absences.

Dress code violations should be addressed first thing in the morning. However, addressing dress code violations may be done at any time during the day. The principal reserves the right to determine if a student's dress is appropriate or inappropriate and may deal with dress code violations individually.