BHS Student Dress Code

2026 - 2027

Our dress code is designed for all students to dress comfortably for school and limit classroom interruptions due to enforcement. Staff are trained to equitably and consistently enforce the dress code using student-positive language. As we continue to bring in career professionals and partner with local businesses to provide our students with work-based learning opportunities, we stress the importance of being prepared at school for what our local employers also deem important. A link to visuals has been provided to students to demonstrate **"What NOT to Wear"**.

1. Basic Principle: Certain body parts must be covered for all students at all times. Clothes must be worn in a way such that "personal and private areas" are fully covered with fabric that you cannot see through. All items listed in the "must wear" and "may wear" categories below must meet this basic principle.

2. Students MUST Wear*, while following the basic principle of #1 above:

- **A Shirt** (with fabric in the front, back, shoulders/neck and on the sides under the arms), AND
- **Pants**/jeans or the equivalent (for example, a skirt, sweatpants, leggings, a dress or shorts), as long as they are mid-thigh length, AND
- **Shoes**. Courses that include attire as part of the curriculum (i.e swimming, business management, co-op) may include assignment-specific. Activity-specific shoes requirements are permitted (i.e., athletic shoes for gym).

3. Students MAY Wear, as long as these items do not violate #1 above:

- Religious headwear
- Hats with a short brim (i.e. beanies, bucket, baseball caps)
- Fitted pants, including opaque leggings, yoga pants and "skinny jeans"
- Ripped jeans, as long as underwear and buttocks are not exposed. Again, the mid-thigh length will be enforced for any exposure.
- Athletic attire

4. Students CANNOT Wear:

- Ski masks or Hoods (hats with a short brim are allowed)
- Violent language or images.

- Images or language depicting/suggesting drugs, alcohol, vaping or paraphernalia (or any illegal item or activity).
- Hate speech, profanity, pornography.
- Images or language that creates a hostile or intimidating environment based on any protected class or consistently marginalized groups.
- Any clothing that reveals visible undergarments or midriff (i.e. crop tops, low-cut pants, spaghetti straps tube tops, see-through clothing)
- Pajamas, slippers, blankets, sleep hair coverings (i.e. bonnets, scarves or do-rags) or anything else associated with bedwear.
- Swimsuits or beachwear (except as required in class or athletic practice).
- Accessories that could be considered dangerous or could be used as a weapon.
- Any item that obscures the face (except as a religious observance).

5. Dress Code Enforcement:

- Staff will respectfully address dress code violations in a manner that preserves the dignity of students. Every effort should be made to address violations in private.
- Class time should be preserved when enforcing the dress code. Passing time should be utilized for referrals, and students should be given the opportunity to change before referral to an administrator.

6. Dress Code Violations

- Dress Code Violations are a minor infraction.
- A notification will be sent to students (and parent/guardian) that incur a detention for violating the dress code.
- Repeat violations will result in an automatic detention.

For security reasons, all personal belongings should be clearly labeled with the student's name using a permanent marker.

Final interpretation of the dress code is at the discretion of the administration. For student ID and yearbook pictures, special guidelines apply.

Adapted from the Oregon NOW Model School Dress Code:
http://noworegon.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/12/2018/01/or_now_model_student_dress_code_feb_2016__1_.pdf

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