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2026-2027 CAMS Dress Code

The Cumberland Academy Middle School dress code has been established to prevent disruption and promote a positive learning environment. The Cumberland Academy dress code prohibits any clothing or grooming that may reasonably be expected to cause disruption or create a safety concern. Cumberland Academy prohibits any clothing or grooming that in the principal's judgment may reasonably be expected to cause disruption of or interference with normal school operations. Students violating the dress and grooming code will be subject to disciplinary action.

May Wear	**May NOT Wear**
Shoes that allow safe participation in PE/athletics and travel throughout the building. Boots, loafers, sandals, and crocs are acceptable.	Between-the-toe flip flops or house shoes.
Shorts, skirts, and dresses that are no shorter than 5 inches above the knee.	Shorts, skirts, or dresses shorter than 5 inches above the knee.
Jeans/pants of any color and sweatpants.	Ripped, frayed, or holed pants above the knee, pajama pants, or sagging pants.
Leggings worn with a dress or skirt that is no shorter than 5 inches above the knee.	See-through, mesh, fishnet, or cut-out leggings. *NO LEGGINGS OR YOGA PANTS CAN BE WORN AS BOTTOMS
Short- or long-sleeve shirts, polos, button-ups, sweatshirts, and sweaters that fully cover both shoulders.	Spaghetti straps, racerback tops, tank tops, muscle shirts, crop tops, cold-shoulder shirts, see-through, mesh, or cut-out shirts may not be worn.
Clothing with age-appropriate graphics and positive messages.	Clothing with offensive, racial, violent, profane, or drug/alcohol-related messages.
Winter caps, gloves, and hoods while outside during cold weather.	Hair nets, shower caps, bonnets, bandanas, do-rags, hats, or hoods inside the building.
Ear piercings and nose piercings.	Piercings in other locations.

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General Guidelines:

- Clothing with pictures, logos, phrases, or words, printed on them that are obscene, suggestive, crude, or immoral in the judgment of the administration are prohibited. This shall include, but shall not be limited to: nude/semi-nude figures, pictures, logos of alcohol beverages and tobacco products, depictions of the confederate flag, obscene gestures, curse words, slang words, portrayal of drug paraphernalia, racial comments, symbols of violence, figures in suggestive poses, gang related wording or art, words or graphics deemed inappropriate, or images that are gory/bloody/disturbing.
- Garments designed as undergarments may not be worn as outer garments and should not be visible.
- Excessively worn, torn, tattered, frayed or inappropriately altered clothing is not permitted. Holes must be below the knee. No undergarments should be showing through holes.
- Any apparel that is vulgar, revealing, or distracting is prohibited.
- Blankets are prohibited.
    - If a student brings a blanket, it will remain in the office until the end of the day.

Clothing

- Shirts
    - Shirtsleeves must extend over the shoulder.
    - Shirts must cover the stomach when arms are raised over the head.
    - All see-through, provocative, or low-cut (front or back) are prohibited.
- Pants/Shorts/Skirts
    - Pants/shorts/skirts in any color.
    - Jeans/denim without holes above the knee or excessive holes.
    - Hemlines higher than approximately five (5) inches above the knee are prohibited.
    - Tights or yoga pants and yoga shorts are prohibited unless worn under appropriate length dresses or skirts.
    - Pajama bottoms or look-alike pajamas (even if they are called something else) are prohibited.
- Shoes
    - Shoes must be worn at all times.
    - Tennis shoes, boots, loafers, flats, and crocs are typical examples.
    - Sandals are permitted provided that they are not between-the-toe flip flops.
    - House shoes/slippers and similar footwear are prohibited.
    - Shoes that create a distraction or danger such as, but not limited to, skate shoes are prohibited.
- Outerwear
    - Sweaters, crewneck sweatshirts, and hoodies/sweatshirts are allowed.
    - Hoodies/sweatshirts may pullover or zip.
    - Winter caps, gloves, and hoods can be worn outside during the cold.

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Face & Hair

- Jewelry, Make-Up, and Body Art
    - Excessive or distracting makeup is prohibited.
- Caps, hats, hoods, or sunglasses may NOT be worn inside the building except on special occasions. This includes hair bonnets, hair nets, shower caps, bandanas, and do-rags.
    - Winter caps, gloves, and hoods can be worn outside during the cold.
- Students are allowed to wear headbands.
- Hair must be neat and well groomed.

Backpacks

- Students must use a clear backpack.

Students are not permitted to attend class while in violation of the student dress code. A student found to be out of dress code may be placed in In School Suspension (ISS) if the violation can not be corrected. Violations of the student dress code will be documented and multiple violations will not be tolerated.