



DEEP CREEK MS

Deep Creek Middle School Student Dress Guidelines

The Chesapeake School Board expects all students to dress in a manner that minimizes distractions and promotes learning. Student appearance shall not be disrespectful, indecent, dangerous to the health and welfare of other students, or disruptive to the school environment. Furthermore, students are expected to keep themselves groomed and neatly dressed at all times. Any student whose dress is contrary to good hygiene, distracting to other students, or in any way disruptive to the learning atmosphere will be required to change clothes to meet school standards. Violation of dress code guidelines may result in suspension from class until the student is properly dressed and groomed. The following guidelines have been established to assist students and parents in determining acceptable and appropriate school attire:

- **Students will not be allowed to wear inappropriate clothes, jewelry, or other apparel or personal belongings that advocate violence, alcohol/drug use and/or distribution, gang activity and/or membership, that uses obscenities, or that adversely impacts other persons due to race, gender, creed, or intellectual abilities.**
- **Low necklines are not appropriate. No cleavage may be shown.**
- **Tank tops and spaghetti straps are not permitted, nor are muscle shirts, camisole tops, off-the-shoulder tops, or tops that overexpose the back.**
- **The midriff must be covered at all times. Revealing attire (such as apparel that exposes the navel, midriff, or area below the armpits, including tube and halter tops, see-through fabrics, and low-cut garments) is not allowed.**
- **The length of dresses, shorts, skirts, etc. must extend below a student's longest fingertip when arms are extended down by the student's side. This rule applies even when the student is wearing tights, leggings, or spandex under the garment. Cut offs are not allowed unless hemmed.**
- **Extremely brief or tight clothing is not permitted.**
- **No skin should be visible above the longest fingertip when arms are extended down by the student's side. This includes jeans or pants with rips and/or holes. Holes or rips above the longest fingertip must have leggings, shorts, or outerwear to cover the exposed skin.**
- **Leggings, tights, yoga pants, joggers and jeggings are not to be worn as pants and must have a top that is longer than the longest fingertip length when arms are extended down by the student's side.**
- **All pants must be secured at the waistline tightly enough to prevent them from falling or exposing undergarments. No sagging pants are permitted, and undergarments should be covered at all times. (Please note that wearing an oversized t-shirt does not alter the requirement of wearing pants at the waist.) All undergarments should be completely covered.**
- **Head coverings, unless for medical reasons, as well as sunglasses may not be worn in the building. Hats, caps, scarves, bandanas, forehead bands, or any other kind of head cover may not be worn in the school building.**
- **Wallet chains or large link chains may not be worn as jewelry or used as key chains.**
- **Collars, jackets, bracelets, or accessories with protruding metal spikes are not permitted.**
- **For reasons of health and safety, all students are required to wear appropriate shoes when on school property to include Crocs and similar shoes which must have a back strap while in use. Bedroom shoes/slippers or slides are unsafe and not permitted.**

If there is a doubt about a particular item of apparel, the student should address those concerns with a school administrator. Students in violation of the above guidelines will have an opportunity to correct the dress code violation, either through a change of clothes or wearing a PE uniform. However, if an acceptable alternative cannot be found at school, parents/guardians will be notified to bring appropriate clothing to the school. **Students who consistently violate dress code standards will face disciplinary action.**