

# Dress Code

## Gildersleeve Middle School

### 2019 - 2020

*A student will maintain personal attire and grooming standards that promote safety, health, and acceptable standards of social conduct. Student dress that disrupts the school environment will not be tolerated. Principals may make building level rules regarding student dress and attire.*

*NNPS Policy JICA – Student Dress – A student will not dress, groom, or wear items where the effect is to cause disruption or interference with the operation of the school. The principal or designee will determine whether any particular mode of dress or apparel results in such interference or disruption.*

We know one way students express their individuality is through dress. While we respect a student's right to self-expression, our commitment is to provide a focused, quality learning environment to all students. To maintain this focus we ask students to adhere to this dress code and families to support us in this endeavor.

This presentation highlights dress code “do’s and don’ts” that will help you when preparing for school.

Dress for Success –  
Janelle Spitz, Principal

# NNPS Rights & Responsibilities

Student Dress Expectations – the following dress practices ARE NOT ALLOWED IN SCHOOL

- Non-religious headwear or head covering of any kind (male or female): hats, hoods, sweatbands, bandannas, scarves, sunglasses, combs, picks, curlers, rakes worn in hair.
- Any article of apparel which displays obscene words, pictures, or designs. Any article that conveys a sexually suggestive message or a pro-alcohol, drug, or gang related message.
- Clothing that is transparent or exposes the midriff, back, navel, or cleavage.
- Tank tops, tube tops, halter tops, one shoulder tops, spaghetti straps, strapless or backless tops (unless covered.)
- Dresses, skirts, or shorts that do not reach at least mid-thigh or have slits above mid-thigh.
- Stretch lycra, spandex, tights, leggings, leotards, biker pants, or underwear worn as outer garments.
- Pants, skirts or shorts worn below waistline (“sagging”) or inside out. Pajamas/sleepwear of any kind. Cut-up shorts or pants with slits, rips or holes above mid-thigh.
- Bare feet or slippers. Footwear must be worn at all times.
- Jewelry or accessories that may be used as a weapon (e.g. two or three finger rings that are joined, chains, oversized or spiked accessories.)

# NNPS Rights and Responsibilities

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- A parent will be called to bring a change of clothes to school. Until the parent brings a change of clothes the student will be given appropriate clothes to wear (if available) and may be placed in ISS. Sometimes students elect not to wear the clothes we offer.
- A second dress code violation will result in after school detention.
- A third dress code violation will result in a parent conference.

# Hats

- ❖ No non-religious headwear or headgear of any kind
- ❖ No bandanas of any colors, picks, curlers, etc.





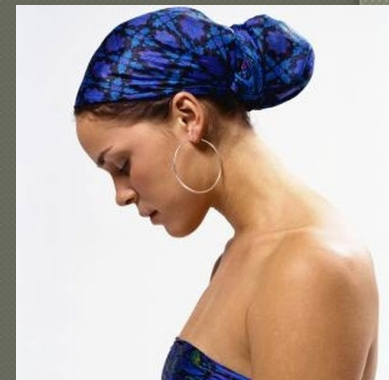
# Head Scarves

- Religious headwear is allowed
- Non-religious head scarves may not cover the entirety or majority of the head.

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Not Okay  
(except for  
religious  
purposes)



# No Saggy Pants

- This includes skinny jean saggy pants
- Even if your shirt covers your pants, saggy pants are not allowed
- This applies to girls and boys
- This includes saggy shorts
- Even if you are wearing athletic shorts under pants, saggy pants are not allowed



We could have posted more pictures but they were so disturbing we couldn't "bare" to do it! Please pull up your pants!

# Dresses and Skirts

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- Must reach at least mid-thigh (trust us, something may look like an appropriate length from the front, but will be too short in the rear)
- No slits above mid-thigh
- Use your fingertips as a guide to determine “mid-thigh”
- You may want to wear shorts under your shorter dresses and skirts



Not Allowed



Allowed

# Leggings/Jeggings

- Leggings may not be transparent (see thru.) If you can see the pattern on your underwear, they are transparent.
- Tights are not leggings.
- Ideally, your shirt should cover your behind and be the same length all the way around.





# Jeans/Pants

- No Saggy Pants
- No holes above mid-thigh
- Any holes regardless of size should not show pockets, undergarments, or butt cheeks.
- Threads are not counted as holes as long as there are more threads than skin.
- No pajama bottoms



Allowed



# Shirts

- No inappropriate messages or pictures (including messages that are sexually offensive, drugs, or alcohol, or may be otherwise disruptive to the learning environment).
- No stomach baring or back exposing tops.
- Must have straps, but no spaghetti straps.



Not Allowed



Allowed

# Hoodies

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- Hoodies may be worn, but you may not wear the hood over your head. If you are told to remove your hood and you are seen again with it on, you will put your hoodie in your locker.
- This makes it difficult to see your face/head from all angles and we need to be able to do this for safety.

# Shorts

- No saggy shorts
- Must reach at least mid-thigh. Use fingertips as a guide.
- No holes above mid-thigh.
- Any holes regardless of size should not show pockets, undergarments, or butt cheeks.
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# Shoes

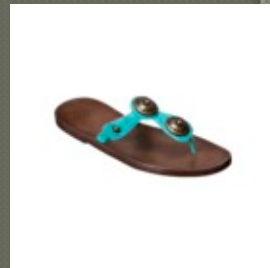
- No heels higher than 2 inches (and really, that's too high!)
- Shoes need to have a rubber or leather sole
- No slippers, even with a rubber sole
- On PE/Science days you must wear appropriate closed-toe shoes.



Not Allowed



Allowed



# Purses

- Students may carry a small purse with them during the day.



Not Allowed

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# Backpacks

- Backpacks will be stored in lockers during the day.
- If it's worn on your back, it's a backpack and must be placed in your locker during the day.



## Extra Info

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- ◉ Plan for your daily schedule when you are planning what to wear. Have PE? Don't wear a dress or slides.
- ◉ Place your clothes, shoes, packed book bag out before you go to bed. It will make getting ready in the AM much easier.
- ◉ If you don't wear sneakers every day, put an extra pair in your locker for when you forget you have PE or science class.



# Winter

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- If you bring a blanket to school this winter you will need to store it in your locker.
- If you need a winter coat, please tell your counselor. We will see if we are able to provide one.



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# Dress to Do Your Best in School

See specific policies in the Rights & Responsibilities  
Handbook