

Dress Code

The purpose of the MUES Dress Code is to support our school's mission to provide a safe, orderly and distraction-free learning environment for our students. Students are expected to be clean, neat and appropriately attired at all school functions on and off campus. Students are expected to practice good hygiene and grooming. The MUES Dress Code ensures that students are appropriately dressed for the school setting, which will help them become productive and responsible citizens.

Any offensive clothing, accessory or decoration (profane, obscene, racist, sexually explicit messages or graphics; writing or pictures relating to alcohol, drugs and violence) is prohibited.

Cosmetics to the face, hair and body that distract from the educational environment are not allowed (examples: spray painted hair, cosmetics/make-up, face paintings and/or temporary tattoos, extreme hairdos, etc.).

Clothing should be safe for children to wear.

Headgear: Hats with a brim must face forward over the face and will be allowed only for outdoor events. No hoods, knitted ski caps, beanies, bandanas, doo rags, etc. Sunglasses will only be allowed for outdoor events.

Jewelry: No distracting or unsafe jewelry (examples: dangling earring, facial piercing jewelry, large chains, spikes, gang or cult related jewelry).

Footwear: Covered shoes are required for Physical Education, field trips and playing on the playground equipment, field, courts, and four square areas as well as working the cafeteria, office and library. All footwear must have a heel that is as wide as the footwear and cannot raise the heel of the student's foot more than 1½ inches from the ground. Footwear must be worn at all times – no bare feet.

Clothing: All clothing must cover an individual's chest, stomach, back and bottom at all times. Undergarments should not be visible.

No revealing clothing such as midriff-baring tops, strapless tops, spaghetti strap tops, bikini tops, halter tops, see-through and form fitting clothing. Wearing a jacket over the revealing clothing is not acceptable.

Necklines for tops must not be lower than the "line" across the underarms.

Straps of all tops and dresses must be at least one inch wide.

No oversized sagging, torn, frayed or ripped clothing.

Dresses, skirts, skorts and shorts hems must be no shorter than the student's longest fingertip.

Exceptions: School administration will determine any exceptions to the Dress Code for religious, medical or special circumstances on a case-by-case basis.

Enforcement: School Administration reserves the right to declare any dress or appearance as inappropriate for school if it inhibits the educational process or threatens the health and safety of others. Students who are non-compliant with the MUES Dress Code will be subject to discipline under classroom and school discipline policies. Repeated violations will be referred to Administration for discipline and parental involvement. Parents will be notified when students are non-compliant with Dress Code. Parents may be required to bring appropriate clothing to school.

The Dress Code also applies to any volunteer on campus and chaperones on educational excursions (field trips). All school staff is asked to model the MUES Dress Code during all school activities