

# The Watershed Charter School Dress Code

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## **Headwear:**

Hats and other headwear are permitted in the classroom according to teacher discretion.

## **Clothes Depicting Inappropriate Topics:**

Clothes depicting drugs, violence, profanity, sexual innuendo, suicide, or gang relations are prohibited. Clothes will be considered gang related if they show affiliation with a known gang, as verified by local authorities.

## **Shirts:**

Shirts that show your midriff or lower back when standing, sitting, or crouching are prohibited. The bottom of the shirt should overlap when sitting or standing. Shirts must be completely opaque. Shirts should not hang over the shoulder and shirts must have a strap for each shoulder. One's shirt must not dip so low in the front as to reveal one's bra. When wearing a shirt with a low back, it must dip no lower than mid shoulder blade.

## **Pants**

All pants must be completely opaque. They should rest no lower than the upper hips and must fully cover your underwear. Shirts should overlap or be tucked into pants. Shorts should be no shorter than the mid thigh. Leggings should not show the outline of undergarments.

## **Skirts And Dresses:**

When wearing a skirt or dress without additional layers underneath, it should reach down to just above the knee when sitting or standing. If this is worn with shorts that cover undergarments, it can reach to mid thigh.

## **Lounge Wear:**

Clothes deemed to be lounge wear or pajamas are prohibited.

## **Offensive Or Disparaging Articles Of Clothing;**

Articles of clothing that disparage any group or individual are banned. This includes (but is not limited to) clothes that belittle people because of their nationality, gender, race, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, or disability.

## **Hazardous Accessories:**

All jewelry or accessories that pose a safety hazard to the school are prohibited.

## **Sunglasses:**

Wearing sunglasses indoors is not permitted.

Consequences for violating the dress code are

- 1) Requirement for the student to change into appropriate garments and/or
- 2) Parental contact. Repeated infractions may be considered insubordination resulting in appropriate disciplinary consequences.

Exceptions for these rules for religious, medical, or cultural reasons will be taken on a case-by-case basis.

The building principal may approve exceptions to these rules for special event days.