

## School Dress

The business of school is education and proper dress is an important responsibility we must all accept. The aim is not conformity, but good taste and “Dressing for Success.” Wearing neat, clean clothes is a reflection on your character and on the school. Student dress and personal appearance shall not disrupt or distract from the learning atmosphere. Hats, hoods, sunglasses, and sun visors may not be worn in SMS buildings and must be secured in your locker during the school day other than before school, after school, or during the lunch period outside. Certain classes require clothing guidelines. Clothes and other items worn or carried that could hurt you or others are not allowed. Students in violation of the expected school dress standard will need to change clothes, make arrangements for other clothes to be brought to school, spend the day in detention, or go home. Repeated dress code violations will result in disciplinary actions.

The following items are not allowed:

-  Skintight or revealing clothes such as yoga pants, leggings, jeggings, etc.
-  Sagging pants
-  Bare midriff tops, halter tops, spaghetti straps, tube tops, mesh shirts, or sheer clothing.
-  Students are not to wear tank tops, muscle shirts or shirts with cutoff sleeves. All shirts must have sleeves.
-  Short skirts or shorts (must be **below** fingertip length when arms are extended-even if leggings, yoga pants or tights are worn underneath).
-  If jeans or pants have holes, the hole must be below fingertip length when arms are fully extended.
-  Clothing or hats with writing and/or graphics that are obscene, profane, racist, or suggestive.
-  Chains, spiked jewelry or other potentially dangerous items.
-  Clothing that encourages or advertises the use of violence, alcohol, drugs, tobacco products, sex, or sexual innuendos (for example brands such as Huff and Eight-Ball will not be allowed at SMS).
-  No pajama pants, shirts or shorts and no slippers.
-  Any gang-related clothing or symbols; bandanas, colors, certain hairstyles including but not limited to three or four lines as well as stars, etc (see gang related Infractions in student handbook)