

DRESS AND PHYSICAL APPEARANCE OF STUDENTS

Recently, I have received several complaints from certain students regarding the school dress code, specifically "tank tops". We discussed this at the latest AC meeting and made minimal changes. Since then I have read over several of the other school's dress codes and would like to modify our present rules. Following are the changes I would like to suggest:

School District policy states, "Students' appearance should be neat and clean. Dress and appearance which cause disruption of the educational process or present health or safety problems shall not be permitted; otherwise, dress and appearance are the responsibility of the parent."

Safety and comfort should be considered when dressing for school. Dress should be appropriate for the weather and for active participation in recess and PE.

Please be aware of your child's PE schedule. Shoes are especially important for safety: Platform shoes, party shoes, heels, flip flops, clogs **are not allowed during PE**. Shoes with rollers on them are a safety hazard and not allowed at school.

The following are not to be worn to school:

- **Midriff tops or spaghetti straps**
- **Inappropriate wording or logos on clothing**
- **Large rips or tears in clothing, or holes above the knee in pants**
- **Sagging pants**
- **Gang related clothing**
- **Short shorts and skirts**
- **Flip flops during PE**

Tank tops should have straps 3 fingers wide and be worn with a t-shirt or camisole.

The above guidelines are more restrictive than before, but also more definitive. They were taken from several other Shoreline schools. The red is the added portion.