

# STUDENT DRESS CODE 2016-17 SCHOOL YEAR

## (from the 2016-17 student handbook)

### STUDENT DRESS CODE

The Old Fort Local Board of Education affirms that its primary concern is the provision of educational opportunities for students of the district and that the major responsibility for students' appearance rests with their parents.

School district personnel have the responsibility of maintaining proper and appropriate conditions conducive to learning. Students should conform to the following guidelines:

#### **Acceptable dress includes:**

- Skirt and dress hems must come to top of knees while standing.
- Dress shorts that meet the top of the knees while standing and are worn at the waist or hips.
- Jeans and pants fit properly and be worn on the student's waist or hips.
- Shirts and sweaters that cover the body modestly and extend below the beltline and no exposed cleavage.
  
- Sweatpants that have pockets, un-cuffed ankles, and are loose fitting.
- Piercing in ears only. (all others must be covered)
- Leggings, yoga pants, jeggings, or stretch pants that are covered by a skirt or dress.

#### **Unacceptable dress includes:**

- Hats, head coverings, hoods, or sunglasses.
- Athletic, running, or boxer shorts.
- Excessively worn, frayed, or holed clothing that exposes skin.
- Shirts that are see-through, plunging necklines, sleeveless shirts, openings that reveal underarms or undergarments, bare midriffs, tank tops, halter tops, cropped tops or muscle shirts.
- Clothing, jewelry, or tattoos with obscene, profane, gang related, pro drug/alcohol, pro tobacco, racial, hate, sexual implications, distracting, or themes of death/ violence.
- Any jewelry or clothing which may present a safety hazard or otherwise inappropriate as deemed by administration.
- Wallet chains, heavy or oversized jewelry.
- Pajama pants, flannel pants, spandex/bicycle pants.
- Coats or jackets worn in class.
- Undergarments visible.
- Unnatural hair color, unusual make-up, (type, color, amount).

All clothing should be clean and fit appropriately. Footwear must be worn at all times. For safety considerations, all footwear must be adequately secured to the foot. Shoes that cover the whole foot must be worn any time a student is in a class/classroom situation where something could be hazardous to their feet.

**\*\* Many times a situation results in a "judgment call" by the school administration that shall remain the final arbiter.**