



Dress Code Policy

MileStone Academy believes that a dress code promotes a sense of school unity while instilling personal responsibility and self-respect.

All students are required to dress appropriately every day. Parents are responsible for ensuring that their children are dressed appropriately. The dress code is:

Tops

- Shirts can be long or short sleeved
- Sleeves must cover the shoulders and under the arm
- Shirts must be long enough to cover midriff when standing, sitting, and bending over

Bottoms

- Jumpers, skirts, skorts, shorts, and capris are allowed but must be no shorter than two inches above the knee
- Cargo pants/shorts are allowed
- When tights and leggings are worn, dresses and skirts still must be no shorter than two inches above the knee

Shoes

- Footwear must be appropriate for outdoor activities and P.E.

Students may not wear:

- Sweatpants, and exercise pants are not permitted
- Tights/leggings and jeggings (when not worn under a skirt or dress) are not permitted
- No low-riding bottoms or visible undergarments will be allowed
- Fish net and lace tights/leggings are not permitted
- Open toe shoes of any kind
- Shoes with wheels
- Flip-flops/ slides
- Slippers of any kind

Outerwear

- Winter coats, jackets, gloves, and hats are not subject to the restrictions, and should be worn outside the building

Accessories

Body piercing will be limited to earrings only (no gauging) that do not draw undue attention or present a danger to the person wearing them. Other jewelry may not be excessive or distract from the learning environment. No chains may be worn other than around the neck or wrist.

Hair

Students may wear their hair in any way that does not distract from the learning environment. Extreme hairstyles will be addressed on an individual basis.

Other Attire

Students may choose other attire such as backpacks, purses, etc. that are not offensive and are appropriate to our learning environment. Hats may not be worn inside the building.

General Policy Considerations

Clothing must be neat and in good condition. Rips, tears and large stains are not permitted.



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Dress Down Day

A "Dress Down Day" is a regular school day when various provisions of this Dress Code Policy will not be enforced and are announced by the administration.

CLOTHING THAT IS UNACCEPTABLE AT ALL TIMES

The following are examples of clothing that is *inappropriate* and will not be permitted:

- Clothing or lack of clothing that is disruptive, provocative, revealing, indecent, vulgar, or obscene;
- Revealing necklines, bare midriffs and excessively tight clothing;
- Clothing which promotes alcoholic beverages, tobacco, or the use of controlled substances by words or symbols;
- Clothing which contains profanity, nudity, depicts violence, or is sexual in nature by words or symbols;
- Tank tops, spaghetti strap tops, and sleeveless shirts;
- Undergarments worn as an outer garment or any see-through clothing that reveals an undergarment;
- Hats, visors, sunglasses, sweatbands, and bandannas (may be worn outside but must be removed when inside the school);
- Short shorts and short skirts. Skirt and short length should be no shorter than 2 inches above the knee;
- Pajamas (may only be worn on designated days approved by the Director);
- Tights, leggings, and jeggings (when not worn under a skirt or dress); and
- Any item of clothing or jewelry that creates a disruption of the school environment/learning activities, or that poses a threat to the safety and well-being of students or staff

Enforcement

When necessary, teachers will implement the following discipline policy:

- If a student is violating the Dress Code Policy, the student will be sent to the office.
- Parents will be called to bring proper clothing and the student will remain in the office until clothing arrives.
- If parents are unable to do so in a timely manner, and it is a minor breach of the policy, the office may provide some interim clothing so that the student may return to class.

For subsequent violations, students will be subject to the progressive discipline policy, including the provisions regarding persistent violation of school rules and persistent disobedience, which may result in detention, or suspension.