Shady Grove Middle School

Dress Code Policy

The following guidelines shall apply to attendance at school and all school activities and events in order to ensure a safe and secure learning environment:

1. Students shall give proper attention to personal cleanliness and neatness of dress.

2. Shoes are to be worn at all times. Open toe shoes are not appropriate for PE class.

3. Clothes shall be sufficient to conceal undergarments at all times. See-through or fishnet fabrics, inappropriate halter tops, off the shoulder or low cut tops, bare midriffs, extreme short skirts and short shorts, swimwear or sheer clothing without proper undergarments are prohibited.
   *Skirts and shorts must be as long as the longest finger when hands are placed to the student’s sides.

4. Dress, grooming or accessories that are considered unsafe, dangerous, a health hazard or disruptive to the learning environment shall not be allowed.

5. Dress, accessories and jewelry which contain obscene symbols, signs or slogans, and /or which slur or degrade on the basis of race, religion, ethnicity, sex, disability or sexual orientation and impose a threat of imminent violence or disruption to the orderly operation of the school shall not be worn.

6. Dress, grooming or accessories that contain language or symbols supporting sex, drugs, alcohol, tobacco, or gang association shall not be worn.

7. Baggy pants are not to be worn. We should not see under garments (i.e. boys – underwear/boxers; girls – bras or underwear).

8. Hats or head coverings may not be worn in the building for both boys and girls. (Religious head coverings are acceptable.)

9. The principal, staff, students and parents/guardian at each school may establish reasonable dress and grooming regulations for times when students are engaged in extra-curricular or other special school activities.

10. Students appearing on school grounds in violation of the dress code shall be counseled and sent home, as appropriate, in order to change clothes and dress properly for school. Students may also be asked to change into their PE clothes for the day. A student who willfully and continuously violates the dress code may be subject to disciplinary action including, but not limited to, detention and/or suspension.