

DRUID HILLS MIDDLE SCHOOL

SY 2022-2023

The primary responsibility for a student's attire resides with the student and parents or guardians. The school district and individual schools are responsible for seeing that a student's attire does not contribute to a hostile or intimidating atmosphere or interfere with the health and safety of any student. All students who attend DHMS are expected to show respect to the school community by dressing appropriately for an educational environment. To that end, school attire should facilitate participation in learning as well as the health and safety of students and the adults that supervise them. Druid Hills Middle School respects students' rights to express themselves in the way they dress. The following policy is intended to promote a healthy and safe environment that does not interfere with the educational process.

Clothing – Tops & Bottoms

- Leggings, tights, yoga pants, running tights may be worn with a top or bottom that extends to the hamstrings.
- Tops must have shoulder straps that extend three fingers in width.
- Rips or tears in clothing higher than mid-thigh or the length of the students' arms with a clenched fist must not reveal skin.
- The bottom of the shorts or skirts should be at the student's mid-thigh or extended arm with a clenched fist.
- Clothing must reach the waist or below – no crop tops.
- Clothing may not depict, imply, advertise, or advocate illegal, violent, or lewd conduct, weapons, or the use of alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, or other controlled substances.
- Clothing may not depict or imply pornography, nudity, or sexual acts.
- Clothing may not display or imply vulgar, discriminatory, or obscene language or images.
- Clothing may not state, imply, or depict hate speech/imagery targeting groups based on race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, religious affiliation, or any other protected classification.
- See-through or mesh garments must not be worn without appropriate coverage underneath that meet the minimum requirements of the dress code.
- Clothing must cover undergarments.
- Bottoms should be worn at the waist. No undergarments should be seen.
- Pajamas are not worn at any time unless given as a special occasion approved by administration.

Shoes

- Shoes must always be worn and should be safe for the school environment.
- Bedroom shoes or slippers shall not be worn, except for school activities approved by the principal.
- Sandals other than flip-flops are acceptable.

Headgear

- Headgear including but not limited to hats, hoodies, durags, scarfs, and caps are not allowed unless permitted for religious, medical, or other reason by school administration.