



Book	Policy Manual
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5511 - **DRESS AND GROOMING**

The Maumee City Schools Student Dress Policy (5511) is designed such that students are not permitted to dress in a manner that would detract from or disrupt the educational process. The purposes of the dress code are to:

- A. to enhance school safety
- B. support the learning environment
- C. promote good behavior
- D. avoid discipline problems
- E. prepare students for the world beyond school

Accordingly, the Maumee City Schools has adopted the following dress code for all students, and all students are expected to comply with the dress code. Any student who is questionably attired will be referred to the administration and parents may be contacted if necessary. Often, the student will be requested to change into clothing more suitable for school. Repeated violations of the dress code could result in disciplinary action.

GENERAL GUIDELINES & RESTRICTIONS

Overall Appearance

- A. Clothing and/or appearance that brings undue attention and/or prompts a disruption to the learning environment is not permitted. Clothing and/or appearance must be appropriate for the school setting. The determination of appropriateness lies solely at the discretion of the building administrator(s) or his/her designee. (Inappropriate examples include, but are not limited to: visible undergarments, yoga pants/leggings that are revealing, etc.)
- B. Clothing and/or appearance that promote gang activity, drugs, alcohol, or tobacco is not permitted. In addition, clothing that displays or promotes obscenities, profane language, sexual innuendoes, degrading wording or display symbols of hate or oppression is not permitted.
- C. Students must dress appropriately to meet safety requirements in labs, physical education courses and industrial technology courses. The instructor will discuss the requirements in class.
- D. Tops and bottoms must overlap at all times, including when arms are raised overhead and when seated.

- E. Clothing that is torn, especially jeans, may not have holes/rips more than four (4) inches above the knee.

Top Garments

- A. Shirts/Blouses/Dresses should be of a length and style that limit skin exposure and should be appropriate for the educational setting.
- B. Shirts/Blouses/Dresses should not be low cut or revealing.
- C. T-Shirts must have both a collar and sleeves. Collars may be of the rib neck variety. These would include collars on crew neck sweatshirts.

Dresses, Skirts & Bottom Garments

- A. Dresses, skirts and shorts must be no more than four (4) inches above the kneecap.
- B. "Sleep Wear" is not permitted.
- C. Shorts and skirts must extend to cover any undergarment, upper leg, and buttocks.

Footwear, Outerwear, Head Coverings

- A. Footwear must be worn at all times. For safety considerations, the following applies:
 - 1. Students who attend gym or recess must wear footwear that is adequately secured to the foot.
 - 2. Slippers, House Shoes, shoes with retractable skates, or other footwear with flexible, soft soles are not permitted.
- B. Head coverings of all types are prohibited indoors from the beginning until the end of the school day. (Head coverings include but are not limited to: hoods, hats, bandanas, and do-rags). Exceptions may be made by the building administrator or his/her designee as required by law to accommodate sincerely held religious beliefs.
- C. Winter Coats/Jackets may not be worn in the building during the school day and should be properly stored in the students' assigned cubby or locker.
- D. Carrying book bags, shoulder bags, chromebook cases, satchels, etc. during the school day may be restricted, by the building administrator or his/her designee, on a student-by-student basis as a result of a student's violation of school rules

ADDITIONAL K-5 GUIDELINES & RESTRICTIONS

In addition to the aforementioned, the following guidelines and restrictions apply to all students in grades Kindergarten through Fifth Grade:

- A. Clothing must be appropriate for the weather conditions, as students are expected to go outside during recess. Boots must be worn for students to be permitted to be in the snow.
- B. All open-toed shoes are discouraged due to recess play.
- C. Shorts, skirts, or dresses must be no shorter than fingertip length. In addition, gym or running shorts must have strings tied securely. Short, skirt, or dress length is relaxed for students at these grade levels.

Fingertip length is measured standing up with arms at the side and shoulders must not be shrugged.

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