



# Chatham Middle School

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## **REVISED DRESS CODE POLICY (effective August 2016)**

Appropriate dress is expected of all students. The following guidelines apply to all students, male and female.

- Hats, caps, bandannas, other headgear or sunglasses must be placed in lockers upon arriving at school. They may not be brought into any classroom.
- No spike jewelry, dog collars, wallet chains, or long chains with large charms.
- **All shirts should have sleeves that cover the shoulder.**
- No halter tops, tank tops, tube tops, off the shoulder tops, spaghetti straps, backless dresses or tops, see-through shirts, fish-net jerseys, or bare midriffs.
- No low cut revealing tops.
- No mesh or tight fitting clothing.
- No clothing that advertises tobacco, drugs, alcohol, obscene language, gestures, or other suggestive literature. No clothing with a message or logo that is offensive to others.
- **Pants must be worn at the waistline and pocket areas must be visible. Only one waistband should be visible.**
- All clothing should be intact and not have holes in garments.
- Shorts and skirts may be worn at any time, if they have appropriate fit and length **within four inches of the student's knee.** Biker shorts, cut-offs, or yoga pants may NOT be worn at any time.
- **Leggings/Jeggings may NOT be worn as pants.** They may be worn underneath skirts, shorts, or dresses that fall within four inches of the knee.
- No bare feet, pajamas, slippers, or bedroom shoes.
- Bulky jackets, long coats, book bags, and drawstring bags must be placed in lockers upon arriving at school. They may not be brought into any classroom.
- Closed toe tennis shoes must be worn in gym and specified exploratory classes.

\*\*Administration reserves the right to determine appropriateness of dress. \*\*

Students are advised to adhere to the dress code policy daily. **Violations of the dress code will result in immediate assignment to Behavior Management Center in addition to the following progressive discipline consequences:**

First offense: The parent will be contacted and the student will be issued a warning.

Second offense: The parent will be contacted and the student will be issued a second warning.

Third offense: The student will be assigned ASD.

Fourth offense: The student will be assigned ISS.

Subsequent offenses: Progressive discipline consequences will continue up to and including in-school and out of school suspension.