**DRESS CODE**

**2025-2026**

It is the intent of **McKenzie Middle School** to provide a learning environment in which student dress is not a distraction. In keeping with the philosophy of the parents and the community, we encourage neat, clean, and appropriate dress at school.

As such, students dress will be subject to the following guidelines:

1. **Clothing must cover completely all areas of the torso from the collarbone to the top of the kneecap. Sleeves must cover the shoulders with the armpit concealed and absolutely no undergarments visible from the collarbone to the top of the kneecap.**
2. Students may not wear clothes with holes more than 3 inches above the knee that are not covered underneath.
3. Students will not wear sagging pants.
4. Students will not be allowed to wear clothing that advertises drugs, alcohol, cigarettes, controlled substances, guns, violence, sex, suicide, satanic worship, cults, skulls and crossbones, or a glorification of death.
5. Haircuts, hairstyles, or hair color that is to the point of causing a distraction **are not allowed**.
6. NO pajamas, sleepwear or house slippers are allowed unless it is part of a dress up day. NO BLANKETS.
7. Caps, hoods, bandannas, chains, dark glasses, picks, and combs will not be allowed.
8. Visible body piercings to the point of causing a distraction are not allowed.
9. **MMS administration reserves the right to require students to change clothing that violates the intention of the dress code or is deemed a distraction to others.**

**THIS POLICY APPLIES TO ALL SCHOOL-RELATED ACTIVITIES HELD ON SCHOOL PREMISES.**

**Consequences of violations of the Dress Code**:

1. **All students violating the dress code will be required to change**. In the event that they have no proper clothes to change into at school, they will call a parent or guardian for a change of clothing. If a change of clothes is not available the student will be given a change of clothes.
2. Dress code violations will be written up and recorded as a disciplinary infraction according to the code of discipline.

1st offense-Warning/notification of parents for a clothes change

2nd offense-After school detention

3rd offense-2 after school detentions

4th offense-ISS thereafter