

The Stanly County Board of Education agreed that any items of clothing/apparel or jewelry that is worn which creates an unsafe environment, unsafe movement, interferes with or distracts others from learning should be regulated. The school is a place for learning where students should dress accordingly. Any student who fails to comply with direction in relation to improper attire will be in violation of the *Code of Student Conduct*. Failure to comply with dress code regulations could result in suspension. Each school administrator may add more specific guidelines about dress for his/her school in the school's student handbook and/or parent newsletters.

Students are expected to dress in good taste and are **not** to wear any clothing/apparel which includes:

- ❖ **NO BODY PIERCING EXCEPT FOR PIERCED EARS.** (Band-aids are not allowed to cover piercing.)
- ❖ Any articles considered unsafe or dangerous, such as shoes that do not allow a student to maneuver quickly and safely. State health regulations require all students to wear shoes on campus and in all buildings.
- ❖ Offensive or obscene symbols, signs, slogans, or words.
- ❖ Language or symbols oriented towards promotion or advertisement of violence, sex, alcohol, tobacco or drugs.
- ❖ Undergarments which are visible.
- ❖ No pajama-wear (pajama pants, shirts, blankets, bedroom shoes, etc.)
- ❖ Pants not worn at the waist and properly fitted or belted to fit. Long pants must not drag the floor.
- ❖ **No holes in pants above the knees are allowed**
- ❖ **Leggings are not pants**
- ❖ Belts which are not buckled and/or not threaded properly through belt loops.
- ❖ **Shirts that show midriff or other body parts that are not normally publicly exposed. Shirts must fit so that when arms are raised, the midriff remains covered.** Sleeveless shirts with fitted armholes are permissible.
- ❖ **Shirts must cover back and shoulders.**
- ❖ Tank tops are prohibited.
- ❖ **All cleavage must be covered**
- ❖ Hats or other head coverings (sunglasses, visors, hoodies, toboggans, bandannas or sweatbands) inside the school building during the school day. Exceptions will be made for medical and/or religious reasons and for designated occasions.
- ❖ Chains or other objects dangling from pants or other items of clothing. Key chains, if worn, must be under the shirt.
- ❖ Symbolic gang attire.
- ❖ Unnatural coloring of hair – example: blue/green.
- ❖ Theatrical make up including, but not limited to, black eyes and lips.
- ❖ Costumes are not permitted
- ❖ **Shorts, Skirts, dresses, etc. MUST be KNEE LENGTH or longer.**