

2019-2020 MS/HS Dress Code

The Wallenpaupack Area School District (WASD) administration, faculty, and staff have the right to question and regulate any mode of dress that in any manner jeopardizes the health, welfare and/or safety of an individual student and/or other students. Any clothing judged to be a disruptive influence in class, or interfering with the educational rights of others, is considered improper dress. Students may be required to wear certain types of clothing while participating in physical education classes, extracurricular activities or other situations when special attire may be required to ensure the health or safety of the student. Students have the responsibility to keep themselves, their clothes and their hair clean.

The following items are allowed:

- Shirts with collars (including golf-style and button down), turtlenecks, and t-shirts with (finished) long or short-sleeves. All shirts are to completely cover the torso from the waistline to within a few inches of the collarbone.
- Jeans or pants (any style), that are worn at the waistline and that do not expose the undergarments or skin above fingertip length.
- Shorts, skorts, skirts, or dresses (must conform to the above) with a tailored (finished) hem no shorter than finger-tip length and that do not expose undergarments or skin above fingertip length.

The following items also apply:

- All items permitted in this dress code must be clean and made of material that is not sheer or see-through.
- Footwear must be worn at all times. Any footwear that poses a safety hazard is not permitted.
- Students' heads must be uncovered during the instructional day. Hats, caps, hoods, bandanas, kerchiefs, sunglasses (unless prescribed by a physician), visors, and/or sweatbands (any head covering) are not permitted to be worn during the instructional day.
- Clothing, patches, buttons, pins, and/or jewelry are permitted but they must not do any of the following; display sexually suggestive writing/pictures; advocate violence; advertise and/or promote the use of tobacco, alcohol and/or drugs; display double-meaning wording and/or obscene language; use disrespectful language; suggest gang affiliation or activities.

Dress code violations may require a change of clothing, removal from class or removal from school. Students may call home for proper clothing.
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