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**Dress Code:** In order to maintain a strong academic environment for all students, the SMS dress code is as follows:

**School Dress Standards:**

- Clothes should be neat, clean, safe, and exhibit good taste.
- Shirts and blouses must meet the top of the pants or skirt. Tube tops, halters, tank, midriff, fishnet, backless, see-through, or low-cut tops will not be permitted.
- T-shirts designed with low-cut arm holes must be worn with an appropriate cover shirt or undershirt.
- Clothing, badges or patches with suggestive phrases, slogans, obscene or questionable printing or pictures will not be permitted. Any clothing advertising tobacco, drugs, or alcoholic beverages will not be permitted.
- Clothing must be no shorter than the tips of the fingers while standing, with arms and fingers extended by the side. Shorts must have at least a five-inch inseam. Cut out clothing (jeans), will not be permitted.
- Clothing with holes are not permitted.
- Sunglasses are not to be worn in school unless prescribed by a physician to be worn indoors for medical reasons.
- Hats, headbands, or other accessories considered distracting or disruptive will not be worn in the school building. The only exception will be in recognition of religious beliefs.
- Only tops with a two-inch strap will be permitted.
- Wraparound skirts must be pinned and buttoned skirts fastened. Pajama bottoms, boxer shorts, tight-fitting sweats or shorts are not acceptable.
- Any article of clothing or grooming style determined by the principal to materially or substantially interfere with the educational process is prohibited.
- Parents will be notified if students arrive in inappropriate clothing. If parents are not home to bring other clothing, students will have to wear clothing from the school clothes closet. These clothes are washed and kept clean. Duct tape will be provided to students to be used to cover holes in clothing.
- Clothing worn to school should represent the high standards and expectations of our school.
- No sandal that has a strap between the toes is permitted. These sandals can cause serious injury as students walk down the hallway.

**Cell phone and other electronic devices:** Students may bring cell phones, iPods, MP3 players, games, and other electronic devices to school under the following conditions:

1. Cell phones and all electronic devices must be turned off during the school day. (7:10 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.)