

## **STUDENT DRESS CODE/UNIFORM POLICY**

All scholars in grades K-5 will have two ways in which to comply with the mandatory dress code for Myra Linn Elementary School. The dress code is vital to insure personal safety, create a positive learning environment, and discourage classroom disruptions or distractions. Outward appearances that are radical, unusual and draw specific attention to an individual are disruptive to the learning process and present a disruptive influence to the social interaction between scholars. All Myra Linn staff is responsible for assuring that all scholars follow the dress code. Changes may be made during the school year.

**Modesty** should be maintained by both genders at all times. In order to assist with achievement of the goals for student success Dress Code Requirements for **ALL** scholars is as follows:

- Scholars are expected to be neat and clean. **Modesty must be maintained at all times.**
- **Shoes** must be worn at all times. Footwear with a substantial sole and an **enclosed toe and heel are required.** Roller skates/shoes and heels/wedges are not permitted.
- **Skirts and shorts** must reach at least **mid-thigh** in length.
- **Tops** must have a **2 inch wide strap** and not expose bra straps. Aerobic style clothing, bare midriffs, halter tops, tube tops, net tops, see through clothing, clothing with holes in the shoulders, spaghetti straps, and low cut necklines are not permitted.
- **Baggy fitting and low-slung pants or shorts are not allowed.** Pants must be worn at the waist at all times.
- Jewelry which creates a health and safety hazard is not permitted. (ie Long earrings, hoop earrings) **Facial piercings, other than the ears, are not permitted. Spiked earrings are prohibited.**
- **Plain Baseball hats (brim forward), beanies, berets, and sunglasses may be worn outside but are not to be worn in the classroom or inside any building.**
- **Gang attire of any kind is not permitted.** This includes clothing with writing promoting or relating to gang activity, bandanas, stocking caps, hair nets and mittens with the fingers cut off.
- Clothing, jewelry, and personal items (backpacks, gym bags, water bottles, etc.) containing emblems, lettering or pictures promoting gangs, tagging, drugs, alcohol, tobacco, sex, death, mutilation violence, and/or messages with double meanings are not permitted. **We expect that the clothing reflects positive messages.**
- Clothing which has been altered in an inappropriate manner (torn, written on or personalized) will not be allowed.
- scholars **may not** wear make-up or have excessive hairdos, emblems or jewelry.
- **Hairdos** including **extremely unusual styles**, or bleaches, colored hairspray, glitter, dyes or **radical tints significantly different than the student's natural color are not allowed. Mohawks must be one inch or less.**
- Chains, including wallet chains are not allowed.
- Temporary tattoos need to be covered.
- Pajamas and slippers are not appropriate attire for school
- Scholars may not change clothes at school.

### **Non Compliance for Dress Code**

1. The first time a student violates the dress code he/she will be asked to call home and have the parent/guardian bring the appropriate clothing to school
2. A second offense may result in a conference with the principal followed up with a phone call home to the parent/guardian. The parent/guardian must then bring the appropriate clothing to school.
3. The third violation will be considered defiance of school rules and school personnel and will result in a conference scheduled with the parent/guardian to formulate a plan for the student to comply. The parent/guardian must then bring the appropriate clothing to school.

### **School Spirit Days/Dress Up Days**

Our school spirit shirt day is on Friday. From time to time, we have dress up days. We will send home a notice advising scholars what they can wear on these fun days.