

## STUDENT DRESS POLICY

Students dress and attire must not present health or safety problems or disrupt the school environment. South Sumter High School promotes students to practice dressing appropriately for professional environments. SSHS requests that students use good taste and common sense when dressing for school and parent(s) assist the school in monitoring the clothes that their children wear to school.

It is impossible to have a dress code that covers every type of clothing situation. Teachers and staff will check and monitor student's dress/attire at the beginning and throughout the school day.

The principal/designee shall be the final judge as to whether or not clothing and hair styles are disruptive and distracting to the learning environment or in violation of health and safety rules.

The following specific guidelines must be followed to be within the limits of the Dress Code Policy:

- Shorts can be no higher than the length of a dollar from the front and back of the knee.
- Skirts and dresses can be no higher than the width of a dollar bill from the front and back of the bend of knee. The solid lining of the skirt or dress will be measured.
- Bandanas of any kind/color are not permitted.
- Fish hooks are not permitted on hats.
- Tank-tops are not permitted (males and females both).
  - Sleeveless shirts are allowed if, they are not cut low enough to show the breast area or the underarm area. The shirt's shoulder area must be at least width of a dollar bill.
- Shirts which shows the midriff (bare stomach or waist line) are not permitted.
- Trench coats are not permitted.
- Pants which are worn below the waistline are not permitted.
- Visible underwear is not permitted.
  - This includes but is not limited to pants that sit below the waistband of the underwear, racer back shirts, shirts with cutouts, etc.
- Pants or shorts with holes, rips, tears, or shreds that reveal skin in locations higher than 6 inches from the knee are not permitted.
- Clothing with alcohol, tobacco, drug, sexual overtones, violent logos, or culturally insensitive (i.e., rebel flags) are not permitted.
- Clothing that is see-through or mesh are not permitted.
- Shirts that are strapless and/or backless are not permitted.
- Blankets are not permitted on campus.