

# **Paul R. Smith Middle School**



## **Student Dress Code**

In order to promote an orderly learning environment at Paul R. Smith Middle School, please review the following guidelines for student dress. These guidelines pertain to all viewable items, including but not limited to: clothing, jewelry, and a student's academic/personal items.

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## **District and School Guidelines**

- Students must wear clothing that has fabric in the front, back, and on the sides (under the arms) and shoes
- Shirts and dresses must have fabric in the front, back, and on the sides (under the arms)
- Shirts must have straps
- Clothing must cover undergarments (this includes straps and waistbands)
- Fabric covering chests, genitals, and buttock must be opaque and cannot be see-through
- Clothing must be suitable for all scheduled classroom activities including physical education, science labs, and other activities where unique hazards exist
- Specialized courses may require specialized attire, such as sport uniforms or safety gear

### **Prohibited by the District Dress Code**

- Any clothing that exposes underwear, body parts and/or skin in an indecent or vulgar manner
- Any clothing that substantially disrupts the school environment or causes safety concerns
- Any clothing that depicts profanity, drugs, violent images, or vulgarity in any form
- Any clothing that depicts sexually implicit or explicit images
- Any clothing that depicts gang-related images, indicates gang affiliation, or antisocial group affiliation
- Wallet chains, spiked jewelry, dog collars, or similar items
- Slippers or similar shoes
- Pajamas or costumes, unless approved by school administration for special events, etc.
- Hats, bandanas, or head coverings, unless previously approved for medical, religious reasons, and/or special for special school activities



Students in violation of the dress code will be required to change into appropriate clothing and may be required to await a change of clothing from their parent/guardian.

The principal, or designee, shall determine the appropriateness of dress and appearance in accordance with the District's dress code. The principal's decision on the appropriateness of dress is final as long as it does not contradict official district policy (student code of conduct).