



Morris Hills High School



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DRESS CODE – 2023 – 2024 SCHOOL YEAR

The start of a new school year always brings a responsibility to remind ourselves of our district's policies with respect to the dress code. As always, we expect and appreciate your cooperation as we review the following rules and regulations:

- Short skirts, short dresses, and short shorts are prohibited. Shorts, skirts, and dresses must be no shorter than 4 inches from the top of the knee
- Low-cut, tight fitting or transparent clothes, including beachwear, tube, halter or tank tops, bare midriffs, and suggestive clothing
- Blankets are prohibited to be carried or worn in the school building
- Beachwear, tube tops, and halter tops, are prohibited
- Sleeveless shirts are permitted, however, straps must cover undergarments and be at least 3 inches in thickness
- Bandanas and headbands are prohibited
- Slippers are not permitted to be worn as shoes during the school day
- Hats are not permitted to be worn or carried in the building. Hats must be locked up in a student's locker
- All types of colored beads, including rosary beads, are prohibited to be worn in school.
- Chains, cables, or other jewelry that is deemed unsafe or could be used as weapons are not allowed
- Clothing or accessories that make reference to sex, drugs, violence, or alcohol is prohibited; clothing that is demeaning to gender, race, or ethnic groups is prohibited; clothing that has an affiliation with any gang or organization associated with criminal activities is prohibited; this includes Playboy clothing and apparel/accessories

Although we have had limited issues in the past with our dress code, students who are in violation of the dress code will be asked to change. If students do not have clothes to change into, parents will need to be called to bring in a change of clothes for their students. Hopefully that will not be necessary. Students will not be allowed to return to class until they are appropriately attired. Please review the Morris Hills High School Student Handbook for the entire dress code policy.

Each year, our teaching staff has been directed to send students dressed inappropriately to the Attendance Office at the beginning of Block 1 and 5.

We hope you understand that our only goal here is to ensure that the school year is surrounded by an atmosphere of respect and responsible conduct, with appropriate school dress being central to the process. Please approach that process with maturity and proper decorum and join your administrators and faculty with a positive mindset. We know we can count on you.

In the Spirit of Partnership,
The Morris Hills High School Administrative Team