

R A JONES Student Dress Code

*School should be a safe, friendly and welcoming place for students to learn. **No extreme form of personal appearance will be allowed to interfere with the educational process.** This includes any item with obscene, crude or rude writing or symbols pertaining to drugs, alcohol, tobacco, weapons, gangs, violence, sex, racial content, or anything that suggests bodily harm.*

Therefore, students of RA Jones Middle School will be responsible for wearing the following:

1. A Dress Code compliant shirt consists of a sleeved shirt that does **not** expose cleavage at any time. Transparent or mesh material may not be worn unless covering a solid dress code shirt. Shirts **must be free of rips and tears, exposing the skin beneath.**
2. Sweaters or sweatshirts may be worn over, or in lieu of the shirt. Hooded sweaters or sweatshirts may be worn over a shirt. Zippered sweatshirts must only be worn over an appropriate dress code shirt.
3. Pants that are size appropriate and **do not** drag the floor may be worn. Pants that are **unacceptable** include overalls; those made of tight fitting stretch material, spandex, fleece, or nylon; shorts; capris; skorts; sweat or athletic pants; oversized pants. **Pants may not be tattered, torn or have holes or rips above the knee which expose skin.** Excessive loops, hooks, straps, etc. are prohibited.
4. Casual, sleeved dresses or skirts may be worn if they pass the “flamingo” test, do not have slits more than two inches above the knee and that do not touch the floor. Dresses without collars must rest at the neckline.
5. Jackets/coats (heavy-weight, lined or quilted) must be placed in lockers upon arriving to school.
6. Underwear or undergarments should not be visible at any time, while standing or seated.

The following are **inappropriate** and may **not** be worn or exhibited within the school:

- A. Headwear, including, but not limited to, hats, visors, bandannas, toboggans, hair curlers, sunglasses, scarves, sweatbands, etc. Hoods of hooded sweatshirts may **NOT** cover the head at any time.
- B. Chains, including animal collars of any kind, those on billfolds, metal belts, or any heavyweight chains used as jewelry, spiked or studded accessories.
- C. Backpacks, drawstring backpacks, and purses larger than a typical textbook must remain in student lockers during the school day.
- D. Excessively disruptive piercings and tattoos that are not covered by attire above.
- E. Flip flops, soccer slides, clogs, sandals and shower shoes may **not** be worn. No shoe without a back or manufactured strap securing the shoe to the heel may be worn. Shoes must fit snug to the foot.
- F. Sleeping apparel (including bedroom slippers).

*The “**Flamingo Test**” is done while standing like a flamingo with one leg bent and perpendicular to the floor (L-shaped, not V-shaped), the skirt or dress hem must touch the back of the bent leg’s calf.

The school administration shall be the sole source of interpretation of the school dress code. Students not complying with the school dress code will be removed from class until proper clothing is obtained. Repeated violations will result additionally in escalating discipline from Detention to Suspension.