

PERSONAL APPEARANCE/DRESS CODE:

The Students at EJMS are proud of their individual appearance and the freedom to express themselves through the latest fashions. It is our goal to continue the tradition of our students presenting themselves in a positive manner. We ask that students are well groomed and demonstrate personal hygiene, exemplified by excellent manners and respect for each other. Your peers and teachers will appreciate your cooperative spirit and working together to present yourself with pride. We respectfully request that you dress in a manner that does not distract from the learning environment of other students. To maintain high standards in health and safety for all of our students, we request that all students focus on personal cleanliness and their overall personal appearance.

- Students shall not wear caps or other headgear including but not limited to: sweatbands, bandanas, sunglasses, headphones or earphones in school buildings during normal school hours. Caps may be worn after normal school hours while in attendance at athletic events in the gymnasium.
- Students may not wear clothing or jewelry that advertises tobacco, alcohol, drugs, or other harmful substances.
- Students are prohibited from wearing any jewelry or other ornaments that could cause personal harm to the student or others. Chains that are considered jewelry are not acceptable at EJMS.
- Students shall not wear articles of clothing that are adorned with sexually suggestive slogans, profanity, lewd pictures, innuendos, vulgar or obscene displays, or that which may be offensive to another's religion, race or national origin.
- Students shall not wear overly revealing apparel; they should be significantly covered. This includes, but is not limited to, spaghetti strap shirts, low cut tops, low cut armholes, shirts without sides, cropped tops that reveal the midriffs, mesh tops, pajamas, flannel pants, sagging pants or sweats that reveal undergarments, and dresses or tops which are intended as undergarments shall not be worn in school. Oversized pants are to be belted at the waist to prevent sagging.
- Students are allowed to wear shorts and skirts, but the length must fall at fingertip length of the longest finger.
- If a student wears leggings or tight "yoga pants", their shirt must be fingertip length of the longest finger.
- All shirts must have sleeves.
- Students shall wear shoes or sandals that are *safe and appropriate for school*. Footwear that is determined to be unsanitary or hazardous in the building may not be worn. *Slippers are not appropriate for school.*
- Any hairstyle is permitted so long as it is kept neat, clean and controlled.
- Some classes may require further dress requirements due to safety concerns or performance dress. Students in these classes will be made aware of these additional requirements.
- Students need to dress appropriately for the weather realizing that they go outside at lunchtime and they may need to evacuate the building or school bus in the event of an emergency.

Students who wear clothing that disrupts the learning environment at EJMS may be sent home to change into appropriate school apparel. Refusal to comply will result in additional disciplinary action.