

# Eastway Middle School

## Student Dress Code Policy

*Our school-wide Student Dress Code policy allows us to ensure a safe environment for all. This policy is aligned to district expectations and to the dress code policies at surrounding high schools so we may prepare students for the expectations that await them in their last four years of K-12 education. ALL students must adhere to the policy at all times. We ask our families to assist us by supporting this policy and ensuring that every student reports to school dressed in accordance with the policy, daily.*

At all times, a student must maintain school appropriate personal attire and grooming standards that promote safety, well-being, and acceptable standards of social conduct, and are not disruptive to the educational environment. Students' clothing must fit properly; therefore, clothing that is excessively tight, loose fitting, too short, too revealing, etc. is unacceptable. Students are prohibited from wearing and/or carrying clothing, accessories, and/or items that represent, promote, suggest, and/or display anything unsafe and/or unacceptable in the educational environment—this includes, but is not limited to words, pictures, signs, symbols, insignias, etc. related to drugs; alcohol; tobacco; profanity; hate speech; violence; fatality; sexual activity; gang affiliation; illegal items/actions; negative disruption; and anything else the school administration deems inappropriate.

Please Note: School Administration reserves the right to prohibit a particular item of clothing, accessory, etc. even if it is not specifically outlined, indicated and/or included in this policy. In addition, throughout the school year, School Administration, CMS, CMSPD, and/or CMPD may determine additional clothing, accessories, items, etc. that are disruptive to a safe learning environment; therefore, School Administration has the right to adjust this policy at any time. If/and when a change to the Student Dress Code Policy is modified, families and students will be notified. Eastway students are expected to adhere to the Student Dress Code Policy; violations may result in disciplinary action. A violation of the Student Dress Code Policy requires parent/guardian contact and the request for a change of clothing and/or appropriate item to be brought to school. If we are unable to make contact with the parent/guardian, the school will loan the student a uniform-style clothing item, accessory, etc. that must be returned the following school day. Consequences will be assigned for any student who is not compliant with the dress code and/or for those who refuse to become compliant after being given the opportunity.

### Expectations for Appropriate & Acceptable Student Dress

#### Tops

- Tops, regardless of style, shall not include holes, rips, tears, etc. and/or inappropriate words, designs, ornamentations, etc.
- Cold weather tops (i.e., crewneck sweaters, sweatshirts, and fleece) are permitted; however, in accordance with CMS expectations, hoods may not be worn at Eastway.
- Tops must fit appropriately and not be more than one size larger or one size smaller than the student's actual body size
- Tops must be appropriately buttoned/zipped/fastened at all times
- Undergarments should not be visible at any time
- Tops must provide appropriate coverage
- Tops must cover shoulders and midriff area—tank top straps must cover at least 2 inches on each shoulder so strapless shirts, halter tops, tube tops, tops with spaghetti straps, etc. are not permitted
- The waist, midriff, & back areas must be covered at all times—crop tops, half shirts, see-through items, tops with holes/rips/tears, etc. are not permitted
- Tops must cover the waistband of the student's bottom article of clothing at a minimum
- Low necklines that reveal too much skin are not permitted

#### Bottoms

- Bottoms, regardless of style, shall not include holes, rips, tears, etc. and/or inappropriate words, designs, ornamentations, etc.
- Bottoms must fit appropriately and not be more than one size larger or one size smaller than the student's actual body size
- All bottoms should be worn at the waist with no sagging, bagging, dragging, etc.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Bottoms must be appropriately buttoned/zipped/fastened at all times</li> <li>- Undergarments should not be visible at any time</li> <li>- Bottoms must provide appropriate coverage</li> <li>- Leggings, jeggings, yoga-style pants, and/or items made with Spandex may only be worn with tops or bottoms that cover a student's body to at least the mid-thigh area</li> <li>- Pajama bottoms/loungewear are not permitted unless the Principal designates Pajama Day during a Spirit Week event—this includes but is not limited to slippers and blankets</li> <li>- Shorts, skirts, skorts, dresses, etc. must be finger-tip length &amp; should never be shorter than mid-thigh</li> <li>- Tights/Panty Hose may only be worn with a skirt, skort, or shorts that provide appropriate coverage to at least the mid-thigh area</li> <li>- Belts, if worn, must be appropriate for the educational environment—no inappropriate designs, ornamentations, words, logos, etc.</li> <li>- Biker shorts may not be worn by students</li> </ul>
<b>Shoes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Shoes, regardless of style, shall not include inappropriate words, designs, ornamentations, etc.</li> <li>- For safety, students should always wear shoes that protect the entire foot (closed toe with a supportive &amp; closed back to protect the heel &amp; ankle)</li> <li>- Athletic shoes, leather shoes, boots, etc. that cover the entire foot (heel to toe) are acceptable</li> <li>- Flip flops of any kind are not permitted</li> <li>- Athletic shoes should be worn for physical education classes</li> <li>- Sandals with a back and/or strap around the ankle will be permitted during warm weather unless a student is scheduled for a physical education class when they must wear an athletic style shoe for safe participation</li> <li>- Slippers/bedroom shoes/lounge shoes are not permitted unless the Principal designates Pajama Day during a Spirit Week event—on these days, students should wear appropriate shoes to &amp; from school, bringing slippers/bedroom shoes/lounge shoes to change into once they arrive</li> </ul>
<b>Headwear</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Headwear, regardless of style, is not permitted except for religious and/or health reasons, or when the Principal designates headwear is approved for a Spirit Week event or a special school activity—for approved circumstances, headwear shall not include inappropriate words, designs, ornamentations</li> </ul>
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Blankets, towels, tapestries/flags, large pieces of fabric, etc. may not be worn by students or brought to school unless the Principal designates a Spirit Week event or a special school activity</li> <li>- For the health &amp; safety of all students, staff members, &amp; visitors, perfumes, body sprays, aerosol sprays of any kind, etc. may not be brought to school</li> <li>- Hair rollers, sunglasses, combs, etc. may not be worn by students or brought to school</li> <li>- Items that have the potential to cause injury are not permitted (i.e., chain-style belts, wallet chains, long pocket chains, spiked/studded items, large metal jewelry/items, etc.)</li> </ul>