AMITE COUNTY DRESS CODE/UNIFORM POLICY

The Amite County School Board believes strongly in the value of our students wearing uniforms to school for several reasons. Wearing a uniform saves time and reduces stress by eliminating the difficult decision about what to wear each day. It has also been proven that uniforms help reduce distractions so students can focus on their schoolwork, which increases their academic performance. Therefore, in conjunction with Administration and the Amite County School Board the following policy regarding uniforms will be:

- 1. Students are permitted to wear khaki, black pants, or jeans.
- 2. Belts are required and is considered part of the daily uniform.
- 3. White, black, gold, or gray polo style shirts and t-shirts that display the school's logo are permitted.

DRESS CODE:

The Amite County School Board, therefore, in cooperation with the Superintendent of Education and after consultation with parents, students and teachers within the system, presents the following policy regarding student dress:

- a. Student dress in the Amite County School District must conform to the principles of
 - (1) Good health and safety, (2) high moral standards, and (3) consistency with the instructional process.
- b. Students at the school and those representing the school away on trips or in the local community shall dress appropriately for the occasion and in keeping with the above stated principles.

Specifically:

- 1. None of the following will be allowed: trench coats, pajamas, half-shirts, low-cut/revealing shirts, house slippers, flip flops, slides, fish net stockings and shirts advertising alcoholic beverages or tobacco, or those with obscene, offensive or questionable printing on them.
- 2. Shorts, skirts, and dresses must be fingertip length even when worn over leggings.
- 3. Bicycle/spandex pants/shorts are not permitted.
- 4. Sagging and/or see-through pants are prohibited. Pants or shorts must be worn at the hip with no undergarment visible.
- 5. Jeans/pants with holes above the knee are not allowed unless there is no skin showing.
- 6. Appropriate undergarments are to be worn and always covered.
- 7. No hats or head coverings will be allowed on campus.
- 8. Bandanas of any kind are not permitted, including being worn as hair accessory.
- 9. Sunshades of any kind are not permitted.
- 10. Dog collars or similar type ornaments shall not be worn about the neck.
- 11. Only cold weather gloves are permitted during inclement weather. Gloves cannot be worn in the school building.
- 12. Leggings/jeggings/meggings will not be worn as pants with short tops. Tops must be fingertip length.
- Students will not be allowed to wear clothing, caps, or hats that advertise or promote groups, fraternities, sororities, outside clubs, or organizations not associated or approved by the Amite County School Board.
- 14. Extremely tight-fitting or short clothing will not be allowed.
- 15. Clothing must not expose the midriff with arms raised.
- 16. See-through clothing will not be allowed unless it covers clothing that is appropriate. (For example, a long sleeve sheer shirt worn over a short sleeve t-shirt.)
- 17. Chain(s) or other objects that may be used as a weapon (including wallet chains) are not permitted.
- 18. Earrings must be worn in earlobes only. For student safety, no other body piercing with rings or other jewelry is permitted. No tongue studs will be allowed.
- 19. Inappropriate/Unnatural application of make-up or hair color is not permitted. This includes, but is not limited to, designs in haircuts, and notched eyebrows.
- 20. Tattoos deemed to be inappropriate by the administration must be covered.