

# Marion County Board of Education

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**Appropriate Dress for  
Teachers/Support Staff**

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All teachers should dress modestly and present a neat, clean appearance, no holes in clothing that show skin or undergarments.

Sweatpants should not be worn except on "field day" or for some other special activity/day.

Dresses and skirts should be of modest length (no shorter than one inch above the knee).

Blouses, shirts or tops that reveal the midriff or chest may not be worn. No tank tops or spaghetti straps are permitted.

Hats and caps are not appropriate for wear inside the building.

Clothing of any sort that contains a message that promotes alcohol, drugs, tobacco or any other type of message that cause a disruption or disturbance in school may not be worn.

Clothing which contains obscene or suggestive language may not be worn.

No shorts will be permitted except for appropriate classes such as P.E. or other classes approved by the building principal. On approved occasions when shorts are permitted the shorts must be worn one inch above or one inch below the knee.

Scrubs can be worn in certain settings Pre-K, Kindergarten, and CDC.

Flip-flop style shoes or strapless style sandals are not permitted.

**\* PRINCIPALS DISCRETION APPLIES IN DETERMINING DRESS CODE VIOLATIONS  
PRINCIPALS MAY APPLY A STRICTER STANDARD BUT IN NO CASE WILL ANY PRINCIPAL  
PERMIT A LESS RESTRICTIVE STANDARD THAN THE PROVISIONS SET FORTH ABOVE.**

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Legal References:

T.C.A. § 49-5-1004(c)(2)