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Dear Students, Parents, and Guardians;

We know that summer is only a week old, but we think that it is important to give you advance notice of our dress code expectations at THS for the 2019-2020 school year. We are doing this because we know that you will be buying new school clothes for your children this summer and we don't want you buy a lot of clothing and then have your child come home after the first day of school and tell you that most of the new clothes contradict the dress code. We understand how frustrating it can be to spend money on something and then be told that you can't use it.

The purpose of this letter is **not** to tell you what you can and cannot buy. You reserve the right to buy anything that you want for your child. We are only saying that if students come to school in clothing that contradicts the dress code, they will be asked to change clothing immediately. If they do not have a change of clothing, they will be told to sit in the front office, call home, and ask for a change of clothing to be brought to them. If there is no one at home to bring a change of clothing, they will spend the day in in-school suspension (ISS).

The items that are highlighted in yellow were items that we had trouble with last year. The item highlighted in blue is new for this year.

Thomson High School Dress Code 2019-2020

Students are expected to dress and groom themselves in such a way as to reflect high standards of neatness, cleanliness, and good taste. All students should be modestly dressed in a manner that does not disrupt the learning environment or the operation of the school. Administrators will make a determination of appropriate dress in the case of any uncertainty or dispute. The following guidelines apply to all students in the halls and classrooms during school hours:

1. All Thomson High School students must wear identification badges properly displayed at all times.
2. **Dresses, skirts, and shorts must be worn at or below the knee.**
3. **No holes are allowed in clothing that exposes flesh above the knee.**
4. Belts must be buckled if worn.
5. Pants and shirts must be of the appropriate size, and pants must be secured at the waist. ***Sagging pants will not be tolerated.*** Belts must be buckled and through belt loops in pants if pants have loops, sashes tied, straps strapped, and suspenders and other fasteners fastened.



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6. No spaghetti straps, tube tops, tank tops, muscle shirts, off the shoulder blouses, or revealing blouses which show underwear or cleavage.
7. Crop tops must be worn with a t-shirt underneath. Students will not be allowed to cover the crop top with a jacket.
8. No slit shorts, or skirts with slits above the knee, or unusually tight or loose clothing will be allowed.
9. Visible underwear or any type of attire that looks like underwear is not allowed.
10. Shoes must be worn at all times.
11. Tights, jeggings, yoga pants, leggings, or any spandex type material are allowed alone or as pants, as long as the student is wearing a shirt that covers the mid-thigh area.
12. No apparel, clothing, or accessories are allowed that depict or imply profanity, violence, nudity (of either sex), drugs, tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, gang or symbols of a gang nature, weapons of violence, or a message that is determined by administrators to degrade other students, ethnic groups, or authority figures.
13. No bedroom shoes, pajamas, sleepwear, or swimwear are allowed.
14. Any clothing, jewelry, accessories, or any article that is disruptive may not be worn or carried. This includes spikes, bandanas and oversized chains.
15. No head coverings are allowed. This includes, but is not necessarily limited to, hats, caps, bandanas, do-rags, wave caps, hairnets, stocking caps, combs, picks, the hood on hooded jackets or shirts, or hair jewelry.
16. Sunglasses are not to be worn on the face, head, or around the neck while inside the building.
17. No transparent or translucent clothing. (See-through).
18. Blankets, comforters, throws, and bedding materials may not be used at school and are not appropriate at school for dress or other uses.

Note: The interpretation and decision of this policy by the principal shall be final. The principal of the school has a right to prohibit any item of clothing he/she deems to be inappropriate. The principal shall have full discretion to schedule special dress days. A student will be placed in ISS until he/she is in compliance with the dress code.

