

## STUDENTS MUST WEAR

- A shirt (with fabric covering from one armpit to the other armpit, with straps, that touches the top of the pants) AND
- Pants/jeans or the equivalent (for example, a skirt, sweatpants, leggings, a dress, or shorts) AND
- Shoes (must be safe for the school environment, no bedroom shoes or slippers unless approved by the principal)

## STUDENTS MAY WEAR

- Religious headwear
- Fitted pants, including opaque leggings, yoga pants, and “skinny jeans” as long as the rear end/private areas are covered by the accompanying top. Ripped jeans, as long as underwear, private areas, and rear end are not exposed.
- Visible straps on undergarments worn under clothing and above the shoulder
- Athletic attire



Spartanburg School District Five respects students’ rights to express themselves in the way that they dress. Student attire should facilitate participation in learning as well as the health and safety of students and the adults that supervise them. All students who attend Spartanburg School District Five are expected to adhere to the Dress Code. To ensure effective and equitable enforcement of this dress code, school staff shall enforce the dress code consistently and in a manner that does not reinforce or increase marginalization or oppression of any group based on race, sex, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, ethnicity, religion, cultural observance, household income, or body size/type.

## BASIC PRINCIPLE

Certain body parts must be covered for all students at all times. Clothes must be worn in such a way that the rear end and private areas are fully covered with opaque (non-sheer) fabric at all times. All items listed in the “must wear” and “may wear” categories below must meet this Basic Principle.

## STUDENTS CANNOT WEAR

- Violent language or images
- Images or language depicting/suggesting drugs, alcohol, vaping or paraphernalia (or any illegal item or activity)
- Bullet proof vests, body armor, tactical gear, or facsimile
- Hate speech, profanity, or pornography
- Images or language that creates a hostile or intimidating environment based on any protected class or consistently marginalized groups
- Any clothing that reveals undergarments (visible straps are allowed at the shoulder)
- Swimsuits (except as required in class or athletic practice)
- Accessories that are considered dangerous or could be used as a weapon
- Any hats, head coverings, or hoods (except as a religious observance)

