

East Ridge Middle School Dress Code 2012-2013

The school dress and grooming shall be modest, moderate, and decent. Apparel or appearance which tends to draw attention to an individual rather than to a learning situation must be avoided. In matters of opinion, the judgment of the teachers and principals will prevail. Items listed below are the appropriate apparel to wear.

ALL ITEMS LISTED BELOW MUST BE SIZE APPROPRIATE

Size Appropriate means it fits. Not too big – Not too small.

SHOES

- Shoes and socks **must be worn** at all times. Shoes must be laced or other wise fastened.
- No open-toed shoes or sandals are permitted.

PANTS

- Pants must be solid colors of tan (khaki), black or navy. *Size must be Appropriate*
- A belt must be worn at all times. Pants must be worn at the waist.
- Pants must be hemmed. They cannot have tears or splits. *Size must be Appropriate*

SHORTS AND SKIRTS

- Shorts and skirts are not allowed. (Knee length skirts are allowed for those who object to wearing pants on religious grounds.)

SHIRTS

- Any shirt with both a collar and buttons at the neck are allowed for students. *Sized and Buttoned Appropriately.*
- No writing or pictures are allowed on the shirts with the exception of a very small name brand emblem that appears on one side at chest level.
- Shirts must be tucked in at all times.
- **School sponsored T-shirts will be allowed and are not required to be tucked in. Size must be Appropriate**

OUTERWEAR

- **School sponsored jackets, “hoodies,” or windbreakers will be allowed for students.** Non school sponsored outerwear must be placed in the student’s locker during the school day. These may not be worn in the classroom. School sponsored hoodies must be worn with the hood down.
- Any solid color sweater, fleece pullover shirt, or sweatshirt without hoods or pockets will be allowed. *Size Appropriate*

Miscellaneous

- Only buttons, pins, or stickers that are related to school sponsored activities are allowed.
- Hair, make-up and jewelry must not disrupt the educational process in any way.
- Hats should not be brought to school. Hats should not be worn at school.

The administration reserves the right to add to or delete from the above code in order to maintain a safe educational environment. In the event of heating or cooling problems, the administration reserves the right to alter the dress code.

Book bags may be brought to school in the morning and placed in assigned lockers. Students will collect book bags from their locker at the end of the day. Book bag, purses, cell phones and other electronics may not be taken to class. These items must remain locked in a student’s locker during the school day.