

**DRESS CODE  
2007-2008**

The Wilson County Board of Education recognizes and understands that there is a strong correlation between appropriate attire and a positive learning environment. To help create not only the best learning environment, but also the safest, the following expectations for student dress have been established. Apparel or appearance, which tends to draw attention to an individual rather than to the education process and learning environment, must be avoided.

- All clothing must not have holes, be cut-off, ripped or see-through and must be size appropriate.
- Ornamentation such as sequins, glitter, beads, etc. on all clothing is not allowed.
- Pants must be worn at the waist.
- Sagging/Bagging is not allowed.
- Belts are required for clothing designed for belts in grades 6-12.

	<b>Acceptable</b>	<b>Not Acceptable</b>
<b>Pants, Skirts, Skorts, Shorts</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Navy Blue, Khaki, Dark Green, Blue, Black, or Brown</b></li> <li>• Jeans must be a solid consistent color, if bleached must be bleached consistently so as to remain solid</li> <li>• <b>Hip hugger and Low rider</b></li> <li>• <b>Leggings are acceptable under skirts, skorts, shorts, and dresses</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pant legs that touch the floor or are frayed</li> <li>• Black Bottoms with Black Tops</li> <li>• Cargo, wind and sweat pants, overalls, spandex or pipe style clothing</li> <li>• Large logos and writing down the sides of the pants or around the waistband</li> </ul>
<b>Tops, Shirts, Blouses, Dresses</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regular collar and sleeves</li> <li>• Tops, shirts, blouses must be tucked <b>completely (i.e. when arms are raised shirt will remain tucked)</b></li> <li>• Tops and dresses are to be solid in color, however, the collar may have a single stripe no wider than an inch and the sleeves may have a single stripe no wider than an inch the circumference of the sleeves</li> <li>• Turtleneck sweaters do not have to be tucked <b>but when arms are raised abdomen and midriff will not show</b></li> <li>• Sweaters, sweatshirts, vests must have a collared and sleeved shirt underneath</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tops, shirts, blouses, dresses must completely cover the abdomen, back, shoulders, midriffs and cleavage</li> <li>• Crop shirts</li> </ul>
<b>Footwear</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must be safe and appropriate for indoor and outdoor activity</li> <li>• <b>Sandals will be permitted in grades K-8 with straps to secure them to the foot</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flip Flops, House shoes, skate shoes, shower type shoes, <b>no open toe shoes will be allowed in grades 9-12</b></li> </ul>
<b>Clothing &amp; Accessories</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Racial or ethnic slurs or symbols</li> <li>• Gang affiliations</li> <li>• Vulgar, obscene, subversive, disruptive of the school environment, derogatory to any individual or sexually suggestive language or images</li> <li>• Alcohol, tobacco, illegal drugs or controlled substances</li> </ul>
<b>Skirts, Dresses, Skorts, Shorts</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At least within three inches from back of the knee</li> <li>• Slits in skirts and dresses are to be within three inches from back of the knee</li> </ul>	
<b>Prohibited Items</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sunglasses with a prescription</li> <li>• Head apparel for religious or medical purpose</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Large, long and/or heavy chains</li> <li>• Studded or chained accessories</li> <li>• Sunglasses</li> <li>• Facial jewelry including tongue piercing</li> <li>• Distracting or unusual hairstyle and/or color, make-up or contact lenses</li> <li>• Head apparel</li> <li>• Tattoos and brands must be completely covered</li> </ul>
<b>Jackets/Coats</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trench coats</li> </ul>

**The school administration reserves the right to determine whether the student's attire is within the limits of decency and modesty. In matters of opinion, the judgment of the principal/designee shall prevail. The principal may allow exceptions to school wide programs or special classroom activities up to eight days per year**