## Smithville ISD Dress Code 2024-2025

## **Dress and Grooming (All Grade Levels)**

The district's dress code is designed to enhance the learning environment and build self confidence. The primary consideration for students in deciding on what to wear and how to groom should be cleanliness, neatness, and appropriateness to the school setting. Students and parents may determine a student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the following:

- Wear shoes appropriate for school activities.
- Wear under garments that are not visible during normal school day activities.
- Wear pants/leggings/yoga pants/bottoms at or above the waist with no under-garments showing.
- Wear sleeveless shirts/tank tops only if the straps are at least as wide as the student's 3 fingers and shirt sides go up to the underarms.
- Shorts, dresses, and skirts will extend to or past the mid-thigh. Slits no higher than mid-thigh.
- Visible piercings are limited to the ears or nose. No gauges, plugs, spikes, septum piercings, or nose hoops.
- Hats, caps, bandanas, and head coverings, including hoods, can only be worn outside.
- Inappropriate words or images can not be written, displayed, expressed or implied. Examples: gang affiliation, violence, illegal activities, drugs/alcohol/tobacco, sexual innuendos, cultural divisiveness, racial intolerance, vulgarity, obscenity, derogatory language, and/or weapons.
- No crop tops, bare midriff shirts, muscle shirts, net shirts, sleepwear, and/or biker shorts.
- No bandanas, hip cloths, or chained wallets.
- Hair, including facial hair, will be clean, well-groomed and not extreme in style, appearance and/or color (ex. neon/fluorescent).

## The Administrative Staff at each respective campus has the final authority to determine the appropriateness of student appearance.

If the administrator determines that a student's grooming or clothing violates the school's dress code, the student will be given an opportunity to correct the problem at school. If not corrected, the student will be assigned to in-school suspension for the remainder of the day, until the problem is corrected or until a parent or designee brings an acceptable change of clothing to the school. Repeated offenses may result in more serious disciplinary action in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct.