

**POTTSVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
REVISED DRESS CODE FOR 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR**

1. Outerwear

- **No outerwear should be worn in the buildings (including jean jackets).**
- **No hoodies. If students wear as a jacket, they must remove it as soon as they enter the building.**

2. Tops

- **Polos, button-down shirts that must be buttoned to the collarbone, and quarter zips. All shirts must have a collar.**
- **Any color or pattern.**
- **Logos permitted.**
- **Tops cannot be sheer or sleeveless.**
- **No t-shirt as outer layer.**
- **No turtlenecks or mock turtlenecks.**
- **Crew-neck sweaters, cardigan sweaters, V-neck sweaters, and sweater vests are permitted with a dress code appropriate shirt that is visible underneath.**

3. Bottoms

- **Any color denim or khakis.**
- **Shorts, skirts worn to the knee and collared dresses worn to the knee.**
- **Leggings can be worn under a skirt or dress as long as the skirt or dress comes to the knees.**
- **No cargo pockets.**

4. Shoes

- **Closed toe and heel for students at JSC (due to stairs and playground).**
- **No bedroom slippers or shoes with wheels permitted in any building.**
- **No heels greater than 2 inches high in any building.**

5. Piercings

- **All gauges in ears must be plugged.**

6. Other

- **Clothing that references drugs, alcohol, sex or gangs is prohibited.**
- **Jewelry and belts that could be dangerous, such as wallet chains, dog collars, spiked necklaces, spiked bracelets, spiked belts, spiked earrings, or jewelry/belts that contain studs or rivets are prohibited.**
- **Students are not permitted to wear headgear of any type (with the exception of barrettes, or accessorized headbands or religious wear) including but not limited to hats, bandanas, hair picks, sweatbands and hoods.**
- **Sunglasses are not permitted to be worn in the buildings unless required by a medical doctor.**
- **Accessories or piercings deemed to be dangerous, distracting, disruptive or offensive in nature are prohibited.**
- **Tattoos that are deemed, by district administration, offensive, vulgar, contains sexual references or are likely to lead to substantial disruption or distraction to the educational process in school are not permitted.**

- **No tears or rips in any clothing.**
- **No excessively loose or tight-fitting clothing.**
- **On pre-approved days by school administration, school spirit wear may be worn. PASD sports jerseys may be worn on game days or approved days at the discretion of the administration.**
- **Specialized Education Settings/Physical Education Classes:** Students may be required to wear certain types of clothing while participating in physical education classes, extracurricular activities, or other situations where special attire may be required to ensure the health or safety of the student

7. Consequences

- **First violation-warning and change to appropriate clothing**
- **Second violation-detention and change to appropriate clothing (JSC recess detention)**
- **Third violation-in school suspension and change to appropriate clothing (JSC after school detention)**
- **Refusal to adhere to the dress code may result in further disciplinary consequences as determined by building administration.**

Opt-Out Procedure:

New Enrollment:

Upon enrollment in the Pottsville Area School District, students who are new to the district will be granted a grace period of one (1) week before being required to conform to the dress policy.

Medical Or Religious Exemption:

Parents or legal guardians who object to the policy based on religious or medical grounds must present to the building principal a signed letter detailing the reason for the objection. The parent or legal guardian and the building principal will meet to discuss the exemption. Requests for this exemption must be submitted annually.