Powers Ferry Elementary School Dress Code

The purpose of a dress code is to enhance school safety, improve the learning environment, and promote good behavior. Students' attitudes toward school work and behavior are related to the clothing that they wear. Therefore, we recommend clothing and footwear suitable for a working atmosphere and appropriate weather. In order to achieve this goal, the following guidelines are in place:

A. All students shall be required to maintain the level of personal hygiene necessary to ensure a healthful school environment and to refrain from any mode of dress which proves to contribute to any disruption of school functions.

B. Administrators and teachers shall enforce the dress code rule, and the principal or designee shall be the final judge as to the appropriateness, neatness and cleanliness of wearing apparel, or whether or not apparel is disruptive, unsafe, or in violation of the dress code.

C. All students shall maintain the following minimum standard of dress:
   a. Shoes
      i. Appropriate shoes shall be worn; tennis shoes or sturdy, formfitting shoes are recommended for the school day.
      ii. No backless or high-heeled shoes are permitted. (Flip-flops are not permitted; sandals with back straps can be worn - not in PE).
   b. Pants, Shorts, Skirts
      i. Appropriate shorts and pants, as determined by the school administration may be worn.
      ii. Extremely brief shorts and short skirts are not appropriate for school. Mid-thigh length or longer is recommended.
      iii. Pants with holes in them are not recommended.
   c. Shirts
      i. Midriffs shall be covered at all times.
      ii. Appropriate undergarments shall be worn and not visible.
      iii. No strapless or spaghetti straps shall be worn. (A light jacket or sweater is needed for tops with thin straps at least 2-inches).
   d. General
      i. No caps, hats, bandannas nor hoods covering the head are to be worn in the school building during the school day; unless there is a special activity during which they are deemed appropriate by the school administration.
      ii. Clothing or ornamentation that does any of the following is prohibited:
         1. Displays or advertises substances illegal to minors.
         2. Displays suggested phrases, designs, markings or profanities.
         3. Advocates, promotes, or suggests illegal activity.

D. Parents were students who have specific questions about a garments appropriateness should consult the local school handbook and/or the local school administration.