

DRESS CODE

Franklin Middle School/Springfield Public Schools District 186 Dress Code includes the following provisions:

F = specific to Franklin Middle School

Shirts/Tops

- F** White, black, gray or green polo (collared shirts) or blouses may be worn.
- F** Franklin attire (purchased at or through FMS) may be worn in lieu of the required dress code shirts.
- F** White, black, gray or green sweaters may be worn. Cardigan sweaters (button up sweaters) must be accompanied with a uniform shirt.
- F** Solid white, black, gray or green T-shirts or turtlenecks may be worn under a polo or blouse.
- F** Camisoles, bras and underwear are not to be visible.

Pants/Shorts

- F** Slacks, pants or shorts must be navy blue, black or khaki tan.
- F** Sagging pants are not allowed.
- F** No form-fitting/stretch pants or shorts are allowed.
- F** No leggings, jeggings or yoga pants are allowed.
- F** Shorts/capri pants may be worn from the beginning of the school year until October 31st and from May 1st until the end of the school year.
- F** No cut-offs or un-hemmed shorts are allowed.
- F** Extremely baggy pants or shorts are not to be worn.
- F** Athletic pants, athletic shorts and sweat pants are not allowed.
- F** Underwear, including boxer shorts, are not to be visible.

Skirts/Dresses

- F** Skirts or dresses must be navy blue, black or khaki tan.
- F** Skirts or dresses must be a maximum of 6 inches from the knee in length.
- F** Solid color tights or leggings may be worn underneath skirts.

Shoes

- F** Shoes must be laced and tied.

Additional Dress Code Information

- F** Dress code is enforced while on school property and at all school functions unless otherwise stated.
- F** If it is determined that a student is in violation of the dress code, the student will be asked to correct the violation immediately. Detentions may be assigned for non-compliance or failure to correct the dress code.
- F** Coats, jackets, book bags and purses are to be kept in lockers. They are not to be taken to the classrooms.

Gym Clothes

- F** Students are required to change clothes and dress appropriately for PE class. Specific guidelines regarding acceptable dress will be given to students the first week of school. Students will not dress for PE the first few days.

Other District 186 Dress Code Guidelines:

- Dress and grooming shall neither present a risk to the health, safety or general welfare of students or others in the school nor interfere with or disrupt the educational environment or process.
- Dress and grooming shall not be contrary to curriculum goals and/or educational objectives or advertise, promote or picture alcoholic beverages, tobacco, illegal drugs or illegal or violent behavior.
- Dress and grooming, including accessories, shall not display lewd, vulgar, obscene or plainly offensive language or symbols, including gang symbols.
- Hats, caps and sunglasses are not to be worn in the buildings.
- Coats, jackets, and head coverings shall not be worn in the building without principal permission.
- Pierced jewelry, other than earrings worn in the ear, shall be limited to clear spacers or studs no larger than a spacer.
- Spiked apparel and accessories or chains that can be used as weapons are prohibited.
- Clothing with holes, ragged hems or cut-off hemlines or made of transparent or fishnet fabric or clothing that exposes the chest, abdomen, genital area or buttocks, undergarments or the legs above mid-thigh, shall not be worn in the buildings. This includes tank tops.
- Properly fitting clothing is to be worn. Oversized, extremely baggy clothes or improperly fitting clothes are not allowed. Pants, shorts or skirts must be worn at the waist – sagging is prohibited.
- Tattoos that, by their content violate any of the provisions of the Student Dress Code, must be covered at all times while students are on school property and/or in attendance at school sponsored activities.
- Stay tuned for updates regarding COVID-19 recommendations from SPS District 186, ISBE and IDPH (for example, masks, etc.). Masks that are solid colors, printed with SPS District 186 or school logos are preferred. Bandanas or gaiters will not be permitted to be worn as a mask.