



Dress Code 2019 – 2020 Rutland High School

At Rutland High School we are **Respectful** and **Responsible**. The purpose of the Rutland High School Student Dress Code Policy is to clearly define acceptable student attire. The objective of the policy is to promote an atmosphere for academic success while recognizing freedom of student choice and expression. We want to thank our students, parents, and community for their support and cooperation in helping us to continue to make Rutland High School an outstanding high school!

Many details and styles of clothing cannot be covered in the dress code policy. We hope that students and parents choose clothing that is appropriate for a student attending Rutland High School.

“R” Expectations

RESPECTFUL attire should convey that you respect yourself, others, and the learning environment.

RESPONSIBLE attire should convey the message that you are attending school for the purpose of learning.

Items that require specific emphasis:

- All **Book bags** must be clear or mesh
- **Earbuds, headphones, and Bluetooth devices** are not allowed to be used or worn around the neck **OR** inside the school during school hours 7:00 AM – 2:45 PM.
- **Tights, Leggings/Jeggings with or without pockets** and **Yoga pants with or without pockets** are not school attire. They will not be allowed to be worn at school.
- **Pants with holes** any size, any location, are not allowed. This includes pants designed with holes and pants with patches and frayed areas. They will not be allowed to be worn at school.
- **Shorts, Skirts, and Dresses** must be no shorter than **2 inches** above the knee. If you are not sure, then please do not wear them to school.
- **Blankets** of any kind are not permitted at school.

General Guidelines for ALL attire:

- All clothing must be appropriately sized, and worn with the appropriate undergarments, which may not be seen through the garment.
- Pants/shorts must not have holes or fraying, even if you bought them that way.
- All clothing must cover the body without openings, slits, or holes that expose skin or undergarments, cleavage, the mid-section, bare back or other parts of the torso.
- Clothing that is too short or too tight is not permitted

CONSEQUENCES: Student will be removed from the learning environment and placed in ISS if attire cannot be corrected. Out-of-School Suspension will be imposed for multiple violations.

For students that violate the **Earbuds, Headphones, and Bluetooth** devices policy, Parents/Guardians may pick up devices from an administrator after 2:45 PM. Chronic offenses will follow the Bibb County Code of Conduct.

NON-PERMITTED CLOTHING ITEMS: This is not intended as a comprehensive list of non-permitted clothing items. The School District may prohibit additional clothing items throughout the school year. Notice regarding additional prohibited clothing items will be posted in the main office.

The following items are NOT PERMITTED:

- Leggings/Jeggings with or without pockets, Joggers with or without pockets and Yoga pants with or without pockets worn as pants
- Any kind of bedroom shoe or slipper
- No pajamas
- Any shirt or shirt/pants combination that shows bare midriff or skin around the waist
 - Shorts or skirts/dresses that are shorter than two inches above the knee
- Earbuds, Headphones, and Bluetooth devices may not be used or worn around the neck or inside the school during school hours 7:00 AM- 2:45 PM
- Bib overalls/jumpsuits
- Sunglasses
- Non-jewelry chains (ex: dog-collar type chains, belt-chains)
- Any clothing, attire or personal belongings, associated with gang activity or behavior. Clothing, attire or personal belongings that are associated with a gang may be established by evidence of a common name or common identifying signs, symbols, insignias, tattoos, graffiti or other distinguishing characteristics.
- Any article of clothing which advertises alcohol, drugs, sex or which contains inflammatory, vulgar, lewd or suggestive writing, pictures, or emblems, or promotes aggression or violence. Any clothing, which advertises or advocates the use of a product, is prohibited on school premises. Any clothing which disrupts the learning process is prohibited on school premises.
- Hats, caps, hoods, scarves, bandannas, “do-rags,” combs, picks, roach clips, fish hooks, and curlers are not permitted. Possession of metal picks is prohibited on school premises.
 - Any accessory, object, or ornament that is distracting or capable of being used as a weapon or in the use of drugs or alcohol is not allowed. This includes, but is not limited to, artificial nails, jewelry, etc. Schools reserve the right to ban any clothing items/accessories that may present a danger or distraction to the school community as needed.
- Removable, Ornamental Tooth Caps/Grills
- Big shirts, jerseys or other oversized shirts.
- All other items which, in the judgment of the principal (designee), disrupt or distract from the teaching and learning process, such as dice, playing cards, laser pointers, games, toys or electronic devices.

*NOTE: School athletes may wear school jerseys and uniforms on occasions as addressed in the Bibb County School District Code of Conduct. Coaches may have a specified dress code for athletes on game days.