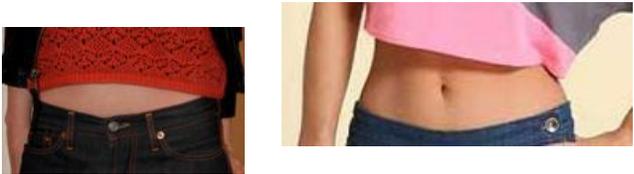


Student Guide to the Rutland High School Dress Code Policy

Purpose:

The statements included in this guide are described in further detail and may include examples or pictures of clothing items that are appropriate for school as defined in the policy. If any questions related to the policy remain, feel free to call the school for further details and clarification.

*This guide is not meant to be all-inclusive, but rather provide further description and some examples in each category of the student dress code policy.

<u>RHS Dress Code Policy Statement</u>	<u>Description</u>
<p>1. Hats, hoods and sunglasses may not be worn during the school day.</p> <p>Acceptable:</p> 	<p>Headwear and sunglasses prevent easy visual identification of every individual in the school building, and therefore are prohibited unless approved by an administrator. This includes any type of hat, hood, beanie, handkerchief, do-rag, or similar item worn on the head, and applies to all students – both male and female.</p> <p>Unacceptable:</p> 
<p>2. No exposed midriffs will be permitted. Shirts must cover the midriff on all sides.</p> <p>Acceptable:</p> 	<p>Shirts and tops should be long enough to cover a student's midriff on all sides, and to cover any undergarments.</p> <p>Unacceptable:</p> 

3. No exposed cleavage will be permitted.

Acceptable:



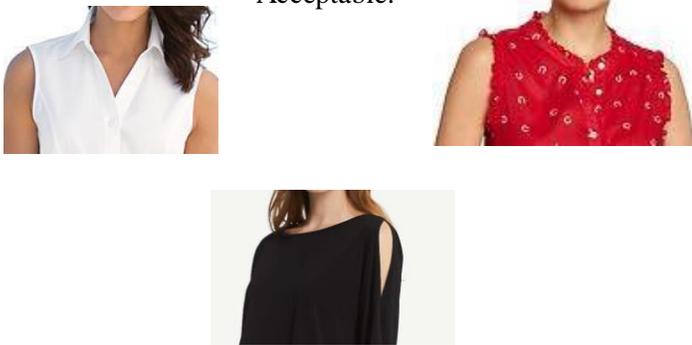
All shirts and tops should cover the chest. Open-neck or v-neck tops are permitted if no cleavage is exposed and the shirt meets other dress code guidelines.

Unacceptable:



4. Straps such as those found on tank tops, muscle shirts, halter tops, tube tops and/or spaghetti strap tops are not permitted. Tops that expose the back or parts of undergarments, including racerback tops or similar articles, are not permitted.

Acceptable:



Tops must cover the top of the shoulder, back, and chest.

Unacceptable:



5. All clothing must conceal undergarments. Shirts that reveal undergarments, whether due to the transparency, length, or lack of coverage of the shirt are not permitted. Pants must be worn at the waist and completely cover the buttocks area. Pants may not be worn in such a way as to expose underwear or skin around the midsection.

Acceptable:



Clothing must completely cover undergarments including bras and bra straps, boxers, and underwear.

Unacceptable:



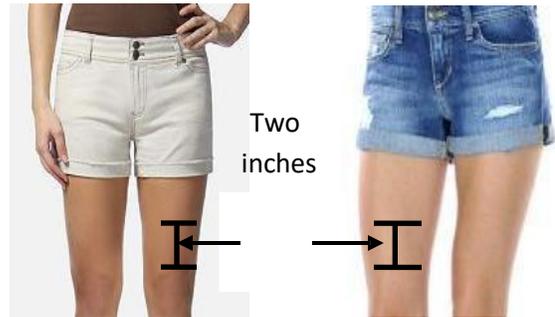
6. The bottom hem or edge of shorts, skirts and dresses may be no shorter than two inches above the top of the knee when standing.

Acceptable:



Two inches above the knee as measured from the top of the knee.

Unacceptable:



7. Any article of clothing with a printed message, word, or phrase may not contain profanity, obscenity, or the promotion of any illegal activity or violence. Likewise, any article of clothing with a picture or graphic may not be obscene or promote any illegal activity or violence. Any article of clothing that is deemed inappropriate, offensive or a distraction to the educational environment by a staff member will be required to be changed.

This statement is self-explanatory. Printed messages or images on clothing may not display any language, image, or suggestion of promotion of illegal activity. Administrators will require a student to change their clothing if it is called into question.

8. Skintight and close-fitting clothing is not permitted. Leggings, tights yoga pants, or similar tight pants worn alone are not permitted. Wearing leggings under shorts, skirts, or dresses is permitted if these items are the proper length.

Acceptable:



Tight and form-fitting clothing is not appropriate for school. Students wearing the items listed here will be required to change before returning to class. This does not include loose-fitting sweatpants or skinny jeans unless worn in a way that violates another part of the policy.

Unacceptable:



9. Tights may be worn as long as a shirt, shorts or other clothing garment is also worn and meets the dress code requirement of being within 2 inches of the top of the knee.

Acceptable:



Two inches

Tights are not acceptable if they are worn by themselves or are worn with other clothing that does not meet the dress code requirement of being within 2 inches of the top of the knee.

Unacceptable:



Two inches

10. No pajamas or sleepwear may be worn.



This is a self-explanatory statement and applies to pajama pants, slippers, or other clothing categorized as sleepwear.

11. Footwear must be worn. Safety considerations may dictate the type of footwear worn in specific classes or school settings.

Shoes or other footwear must be worn at all times. It is not appropriate, nor safe to walk barefoot in or around the school. Bedroom shoes, slippers are not permitted.

12. All clothing must be free of holes, cuts, tears and/or rips that expose undergarments or skin. Torn and tattered clothing is not permissible.

This statement is self-explanatory. Students should avoid wearing this type of clothing.

Acceptable:



Unacceptable:



13. Ear Buds / Bluetooth / Headphones of any kind are not allowed during school hours from 7:00 am until 2:45 pm.

Unacceptable:

