

Middle School Dress Code

The purpose of the DSST: Byers Middle School dress code is to create a welcoming, academic community where students may place their sole focus on learning. The dress code is in effect from the start of the school day until the end of the school day.

Tops			
6th grade	7th grade	8th grade	
Students must wear any DSST: Byers Middle School approved & branded top <u>as their outermost layer of clothing.</u>		Students must wear either a DSST: Byers Middle School approved & branded top OR a top representing a College/University as their outermost layer of clothing.	

- Other outerwear must be taken off upon entering the school building and put away in the student's locker. Non-dress code outerwear may only be worn outdoors.
- Clothing must be worn in a way that conceals undergarments, private areas, stomach and lower back in all situations such as sitting on the floor, bending over, walking up stairs, etc.
- Students not in Dress Code will be sent to the main office to call home for the required dress items, and if that cannot be provided, they will be charged for any Byers top that is given to them.

Bottoms			
6th grade	7th grade	8th grade	
Students must wear Pants &/or Skirts with <u>buttons and/or zippers;</u> For example: Jeans or Khaki material. • Holes in Jeans are permitted; Not permitted: sweatpants, leggings, joggers, shorts, pajamas		Students can wear any pants or skirts of their choice so long as undergarments and private areas are covered. *Shorts are not permitted	

- Clothing must be worn in a way that conceals undergarments, private areas, stomach and lower back in all situations such as sitting on the floor, bending over, walking up stairs, etc.
- Students not in Dress Code will be sent to the main office to call home for the required bottoms.

Shoes		
6th grade	7th grade	8th grade
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- Students must wear closed-toed and closed-heeled footwear to school. Heel height must not exceed 3 inches.
 Crocs™ are not allowed.
- Shoes need to be sturdy and safe for physical activity, lab participation, and evacuation.
- Students not in Dress Code will be sent to the main office to call home for the required dress shoes.

	Other	
6th grade	7th grade	8th grade

- Earbuds/Airpods may never be seen during school hours. The only permissible headphones allowed to be used in classrooms are wired headphones per instruction of the teacher.
- Hats, beanies, and hoods are not allowed indoors. Head coverings are permitted by religious custom.
- Hair accessories are permitted including headbands, barrettes, and durags.
- Text on clothing or accessories that is biased or harmful, that promotes violence, gangs, alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or that is derogatory in any way is not permitted at any time.
- Accessories that could be considered dangerous or could be used as a weapon are not permitted at any time
- Tattoos may be visible as long as they do not display biased or harmful images or words or promote violence, gangs, alcohol, tobacco, or drugs.
- Scarves are permitted.



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Special Dress Days		
6th grade	7th grade	8th grade

"Special Dress Days" may occur for spirit weeks (Themed Dress Days), Pay Up to Dress Down Days, (earned) Dress down days, and during presentations that require more specific attire.

- Shorts are permitted for all grades on "Dress Down Days"
- All of the "other" above apply
- Clothing must be worn in a way that conceals undergarments, private areas, stomach and lower back in all situations such as sitting on the floor, bending over, walking up stairs, etc.

PE/Wellness Electives		
6th grade	7th grade	8th grade

- All expectations are also the same in PE & Fitness/Wellness Electives as they are on normal school days.
- Students must wear clothes in which they can fully participate in all physical activities.
- Footwear: Students must wear socks and athletic shoes or sneakers.