

Dress guidelines are designed to promote a standard of appearance that complements the learning environment. Students are expected to dress appropriately for the occasion. In addition to the VBCPS dress code, Kempsville Middle's code includes the following:

- 1. Students must wear appropriate and safe footwear at all times. Slippers are not acceptable.
- 2. Students must wear clothes as they were designed to be worn (e.g., buttoned, zipped up, tucked in, or belted). Pants should be pulled up and secured at the waist. Pajamas are not acceptable for school.
- 3. Students may wear shorts and skirts, subject to the following restrictions: Shorts and skirts may not expose the lower abdomen or buttocks. Leggings/Yoga Pants may be worn as long as they do not overexpose the body.
- 4. Clothing which overexposes the body is unacceptable. Students may not wear tank tops, fishnet or sheer shirts, or other apparel that exposes undergarments, the midriff, shoulders, or overexposes the back. All shirts must have sleeves.
- 5. Headwear of any type may not be worn. This includes bandanas, hats, visors, caps, sweatbands, and sunglasses.
- 6. Students may not wear lewd or suggestive clothing. Students may not wear apparel that advertises, glorifies, or symbolizes any illegal substances or is gang-related.
- 7. Students may not wear jewelry or clothing that might create a safety hazard. Chains may not be worn as an adornment to clothes nor should any student carry a chain.

If there is doubt about a particular item of apparel, the student should contact a school administrator for a decision. If the item is deemed inappropriate, the student will be denied entrance to class and will report to ISS until the situation is corrected.