

## School Attire

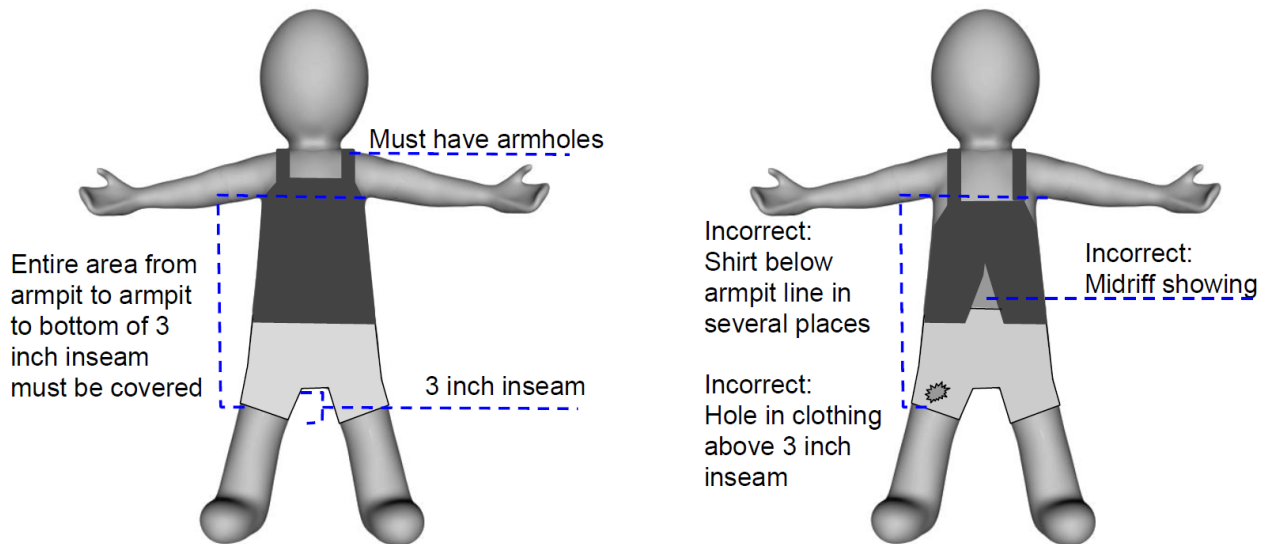
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### Rockbridge County Public Schools School Attire

Rockbridge County Public Schools respects students' rights to express themselves in the way they dress. In order to fulfill this mission, RCPS has established school attire guidelines in support of preparing students for higher education or skilled workforce entry. Enforcement of the dress code shall be handled on an individual basis in a respectful, judicious manner to minimize embarrassment or humiliation.

#### SCHOOL ATTIRE GUIDELINES:

1. Specialized courses and/or conditions may require specialized clothing or shoes, such as sports uniforms or safety gear.
2. Clothing which includes jewelry, accessories, and body piercings, should be free of language or images that reflect violence, profanity, discriminatory messages, or pornography. This also includes, but is not limited to, drugs, tobacco, alcohol, and illegal substances.
3. Clothing must cover the torso\* (armpit to at least a three inch inseam or equivalent), conceal undergarments, and tops must have armholes. Rips or tears must not fall in the torso area.
4. Hats, hoods, or non-religious head coverings, may not be worn inside the school building.
5. Sunglasses, or other obscuring glasses, may not be worn inside the school building unless they are required for medical reasons.
6. Sleepwear such as pajamas are not allowed.
7. Shoes must be worn at all times.
8. Other guiding rules and conditions may be established and enforced to promote a workplace environment that maximizes student learning.



The administrative leadership of each elementary, middle, and high school has the authority, within the boundaries of this policy, to interpret and apply the school attire guidelines and determine the conditions of school attire and any consequences, including any discipline. This authority and discretion extends also to making occasional exceptions on a school-wide basis.

The administration will advise students about the conditions of school attire guidelines as needed. Should there be repeat violations of the guidelines, consequences outlined in the student code of conduct may be applied.