

DRESS CODE:

Pre-K – 4th Grade

Students will wear attire appropriate for the occasion. Comfortable tops (T-shirts), shorts/pants, and tennis shoes are recommended. This makes playground activities, bathroom times, and other activities easier for the children. Active learning is sometimes "messy". Please send your child to school in clothes that are suitable for "active" activities. The school is not responsible for soiled clothing. Boots, flip flops and open toe shoes are not recommended for outside/ playground play.

5th and 6th Grade

Students' dress and personal hygiene should not contribute to disruption of the educational process. Any outfit or jewelry that proves distracting or provokes behavior detrimental to the educational process will not be permitted. Clothing that will conceal contraband will not be allowed. For certain activities, specific dress may be required. Students in grades 5 and 6 will not dress out for physical education. Therefore, clothing should also be appropriate for participation in PE classes and recess. The following dress code will be followed:

Boys

- Pants MUST be worn on the waist at all times and secured with a belt.
- All clothes should fit appropriately.
- Undergarments must be fully covered
- Boys' shirts must be tucked.
- Earrings are not to be worn by male students.
- Any sleeveless jersey must include a full t-shirt underneath

Girls.

- Girls should wear shirts and dresses that cover the armpits. Clothing should cover you from your shoulders to thigh: there should be no gaps – no bare midriffs. (See statement below on length of shorts, skirts, and dresses).
- Shorts, skirts, and dresses must have a length of two inches above the knee or longer.
- Leggings under skirts and dresses are permitted when skirts and dresses meet the dress code of two inches above the knee or longer.

Inappropriate Dress for TCUE Students:

1. Clothing should be constructed and worn in a way that is not unduly revealing. Unacceptable articles of clothing include, but are not limited to: any pants with holes two inches or more above the knees, sleeveless shirts without a collar, tank tops, unbuttoned shirts or blouses, halters, strapless tops, clothes with spaghetti straps, sheer apparel, pajamas, and sleep attire. If underwear can be seen through a student's clothing, he/she is in violation of the dress code.
2. Bare feet and slippers are not allowed. Shoes designed for laces must be laced up and tied.
3. Bike shorts, aerobic wear, gym shorts (gym clothes with elastic waistbands), or cutoffs are not allowed outside of PE classes.
4. Dark lens glasses and hats will not be worn in school buildings.
5. Chains hanging from pants, belt loops, book bags, purses, or wallets are not allowed.
6. Jeans or pants with shredding, tatters, torn, or holes will not be allowed above the knee. If it has the appearance of a hole, it will be treated as a hole.

Policy of the Thomas County School System:

All students shall be modestly dressed and groomed as not to unreasonably distract the attention of others or cause disruption or interference with the educational process or the orderly operation of the school.

Please avoid the following when sending your child to school:

- Distracting hair styles

- Make-up (Pre-K – 4th grade)
- Body piercing, other than pierced ears on girls
- Tank tops
- See-through clothing
- Shirts, pants, or shorts with vulgar or inappropriate messages
- Shorts/pants with writing on the seat
- Bare midriffs
- Over-sized pants
- Bare feet
- Short shorts and skirts (Cross Creek student's shorts and skirts must be fingertip length or longer)
- Uncleanliness
- Bandanas
- Signs, symbols, names, or other items that can be associated with any street gang.

The principal or designee shall have the final say in determining if an item is gang related.