



## **DRESS CODE**

At Tatum Ridge, we believe that our students' self-esteem and behavior are greatly improved when they dress for success and wear clothing that shows respect for themselves and others. The school environment should be safe and free of distractions.

- Students should arrive at school physically clean and wearing clean clothing.
- Hair should be clean and neatly combed; it should not block vision. Grooming should not be done during class time. Hair which is sprayed or dyed an UNNATURAL color (i.e. pink, green, blue, etc.) is not permitted.
- To avoid injury, shoes must be worn at all times. It is essential that shoes be safe and comfortable. NO RUBBER FLIP FLOPS, CLEATS, HIGH HEELS OR HEELIES are permitted. Most of our Specials which rotate continually throughout the year (Music, Technology, Science, Art, and PE) require students to participate safely in activities which include movement. Therefore students must wear athletic shoes. Crocs or sandals are not permitted.
- NO TATTOOS, MAKE-UP or long dangling earrings should be worn. Hanging chains (i.e. wallet chains) are not allowed.
- If shorts are worn, they should be of moderate length (below extended finger tips). Short shorts that are above extended finger tips are not suitable.
- Tee shirts including, but not limited to offensive mottos, pictures, or advertising for alcohol or tobacco products are not permitted.
- Hats may not be worn indoors. Stocking caps may only be worn on campus during cold weather.
- Shorts and pants need to fit properly (not excessively baggy). Shorts and pants need to be worn at waist level at all times.
- Clothing must cover shoulders, midribs, and undergarments.
- Excessively torn, frayed or ragged clothing may not be worn.
- Jewelry displayed as a body ornament, with the exception of earrings, is not permitted.