

## Sullivan Central Elementary Dress Code 2021-2022

### Basic Philosophy:

Student dress should be appropriate, clean, and neat and should not be a distraction to the educational program at SCES. Proper dress and personal hygiene are essential elements for appropriate personal interaction in everyday life. Safety of the wearer is also a consideration when determining appropriate clothing. It is essential that all students abide by the dress policy. This policy is in accordance with the Dickson County Board of Education dress code policy. Parents are requested to set a good example for our students by following the school dress code when visiting.

### Dress Code Policy:

1. Students must remove hats and head coverings upon entering the building. Novelty headbands, i.e. headbands resembling costumes or those with distracting attachments, are not permitted.
2. Clothing selections must cover the midriff and back as well as being appropriate in length. No short skirts, dresses or short-shorts allowed. Length can be no shorter than finger length when hands are held by the side. Tank tops, biking shorts, and tops with spaghetti straps are not acceptable attire for school. Sleeveless shirts and tops must have a shoulder strap of at least two (2) inches and fit snugly around the arm.
3. Clothing should fit and be worn properly – not excessively tight or loose, pockets in pants, right side out, etc. Under no circumstances should students wear clothing that is obviously too large or small. Droopy or sagging pants are unacceptable. Pants with holes or frays should not show skin. Additionally, at no time is it appropriate for any undergarments to be showing on either male or female students.
4. No clothing or accessories will be allowed which advertise drugs, alcohol, sex, gang activity, violence, tobacco, or disrespectful attitudes.
5. Unnatural hair coloring is not allowed. Parents of students who arrive at school with unnaturally colored hair will be contacted to make arrangements to resolve this situation as soon as possible.
6. Footwear must be appropriate for physical education activities and other school activities that involve running, jumping and climbing, i.e. recess. For this reason, flip-flop type sandals are discouraged. **No shoes or backpacks with rollers or wheels are allowed.**
7. Parents will be expected to assist the school in dealing with any infraction of the school dress code and to follow the same rules when visiting the school. Adults with inappropriate clothing may be requested to leave the building.

### **Student failure to do so may result in the following consequences:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Violation** – The parent will be contacted to inform about concern.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Violation** - Incident documented. The parent will be contacted for a change of clothes. The student may be kept in the Quiet Room until the parent arrives.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Violation** - Incident documented. The student may be assigned to ISS for 1 day.

**4<sup>th</sup> Violation** - Incident documented. The student may be suspended for 1 day.

**Students whose parents are unavailable to bring a change of clothes may be provided with an appropriate alternative from our school clothes closet.**