

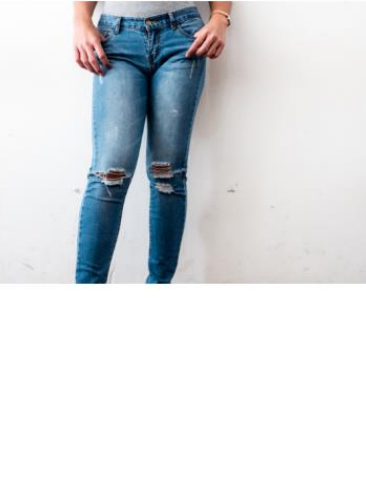



SMA Dress Code

Acceptable Dress Code

		
<p>▲ The picture above is within dress code standards. Holes are small and below the fingertips.</p> <p>Hip-level distressed areas in the pictures above are faux tears without skin showing.</p>	<p>▲ The pants above are within dress code standards because the holes are not excessive in size. Also, the holes are small and well below outstretched fingertips.</p>	

Unacceptable Dress Code

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<p>▲ The fabric cannot be removed like above. The picture above is not acceptable for the dress code. Also, jeans may not have tears above the fingertips when students are standing with arms at their sides. The midriff is showing, which also violates the dress code.</p>	<p>▲ Holes cannot be loose or hanging from pants for safety purposes. This would not be acceptable attire. The midriff is showing, which also violates the dress code.</p>	<p>▲ Both of the pictures above and below would be out of the dress code for excessive and large holes in jeans. ▼</p>

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▲ The shorts above have a 3" inseam and are appropriate for school.



▲ The shorts above meet the dress code in length.



▲ This t-shirt covers the wearer's groin and rear. It must cover the rear when bending over as well.

Unacceptable Dress Code



▲ These shorts are too short because the inseam is less than 3 inches.



▲ This romper is too short. It should be mid-thigh.



▲ This t-shirt does not cover the groin area in the front, even though it is longer in the back and covers the wearer's rear end.

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<p>▲ Even if the inseam is 3", the side of the shorts may not be shorter on the side due to a split or notch in the fabric. <i>These shorts may only be worn in PE, Athletics, or Dance.</i></p>	<p>▲ Undergarments may not show even if shorts are of appropriate length.</p>	<p>▲ These shorts are inappropriate because biker shorts and other skin-tight or tight fitting apparel are not appropriate.</p>

Failure to follow the dress code will result in requiring students to change clothes, and/or disciplinary action.



SMA Dress Code

Jul 28, 2022

Dear SMA Families,

I hope that you are all enjoying a wonderful summer.

Throughout the 2021-2022 school year, SMA administration, teachers, and staff had ongoing conversations with some students and parents about the Student Dress Code at SMA, and how it could be improved for students. I told students that there would be no changes in the middle of the 2021-2022 school year, but we would consider making some changes in the beginning of the 2022-2023 school year.

In response to these concerns, I had a Dress Code Committee convene to discuss the concerns that were brought up by the students. The committee came in on their summer break and had a thorough discussion to address the student dress code, and made some small but great changes.

The Dress Code Committee analyzed current fashion trends, the wants/needs of students and parents, and the tradition of the school, all the while upholding the values of the Seashore Community.

The consensus is that the 2022-2023 Dress Code makes sense: it is accommodating for the students and parents, and it allows teachers and staff to focus on educating our students. The revised dress code allows students to feel safe and comfortable in what they are wearing at school.

Last, I took the proposed changes to the Seashore Charter Schools Board of Trustees for their approval.

Attached you will find the SMA Dress Code for the 2022-2023 school year. If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know.

Respectfully,

Christopher L. Daniels Ed.D

Superintendent

Seashore Charter Schools

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Operating under a dress code rather than wearing uniforms is a privilege granted to middle school students. Adherence to this policy and dress code's effect on school culture is visited by the Board annually to determine whether to continue the privilege. Students in violation of the dress code may call home for clothing or wear items we have from lost and found. The Campus Director has the final authority to determine whether a student's dress is within dress code requirements. The director's judgment will determine whether any items of the dress, mentioned or not mentioned in this dress code, will be considered inappropriate school attire.

General Criteria

A student's personal dress and grooming shall not:

- Lead school staff to reasonably believe that such dress or grooming will disrupt, interfere with, disturb, or detract from School activities; or
- Create health or other hazards to the student's safety or to the safety of others. The following expectations are required of all students:
- All clothing must fit and be worn appropriately (no underclothes may show). ● All clothing must be able to stand alone in meeting the dress code requirements. ● Pajamas are not allowed except on designated fundraising or spirit days.

Pants/Shorts/Skirts

- Baggy & saggy pants aren't allowed; (oversized pockets, oversized crotch, & oversized legs). ● Jeans, slacks, walking shorts, and skirts must be appropriately sized for the individual and may not be oversized or undersized in whole or part.
- Holes are small and are located below fingertips when a student is standing with hands at his or her side. ***Skin can be shown.***
- Skirts and dresses must be no higher than mid-thigh in length.
- Pants must cover the backside even when seated or bending.
- Biker shorts and other skin-tight or tight-fitting apparel are not appropriate. ● Leggings and jeggings and other form-fitting bottoms...may be worn ***if the upper body-body garment (shirt or dress) reaches below the groin and rear even when hands are raised.***
- Shorts must have an inseam of 3 inches or longer. Running shorts may only be worn in P.E., Athletics, or Dance.
- ***Students are required to wear long pants without holes for a science lab.***

Shirts/Tops/Sweaters/Jackets/Coats

- Garments may not have low-cut fronts showing cleavage.
- The midriff may not be visible, even when hands are raised above the head. ● Sleeveless shirts must have an appropriate armhole size that is not so large that the undergarments show.

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- No sweaters or coats will be allowed to cover inappropriate dress

The following items of clothing are not appropriate for school wear:

- Muscle shirts.
- See-through, backless, bare-midriff, cut-out tops, and/or strapless attire. ● Tops with thin shoulder straps. Straps/sleeves must be **at least two inches wide**.

Hair

- Hair must be neat, clean, and must not cover the eyes.

Inappropriate designs

Attire with inappropriate advertising, wording, or symbols that are lewd, offensive, vulgar, obscene, or inflammatory (e.g., alcoholic beverages, sex, tobacco, drugs, gangs, etc.) are also prohibited. Inappropriate designs include but are not limited to, those that promote (suggest) sex, violence, or anti-social behavior.

Accessories

- Beads, earrings, wristbands, or other items which symbolize anti-social group membership will not be worn. This includes spiked rings, other spiked jewelry, wallet chains, or other gang-related jewelry.
- Head coverings (for example, hats, caps, or hoods of a garment) will not be worn at any time on campus during the school day unless the student is participating in a school-sponsored outdoor activity or a designated fundraising event. **The only exception for wearing a head covering is for religious or medical purposes.** ● Oversized necklaces will not be permitted (i.e., dog chains).
- Sunglasses are not to be worn in the building unless needed for medical purposes. ● No blankets are to be brought to school.

Shoes

- Footwear must be worn at all times.
- All shoes must fit appropriately.
- It is required for students to wear tennis shoes or sports shoes to activities such as P.E. and Athletics. Students are required to wear athletic or closed-toe shoes for science labs. ● Steel toe shoes/boots are not allowed.
- Shoes with wheels connected are not permitted.
- Bedroom slippers are not allowed except on designated fundraising or spirit days.

Body Markings/Tattoos/Earrings/Piercing

- Students will not be allowed to display tattoos while in school dress.
- Earrings and studs may be worn only in the ears.
- No other body piercing may be displayed.

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