

## **TISA DRESS CODE 2017-2018**

TISA recognizes that all students have an intrinsic worth based upon who they are and not what they wear. The school expects all students to maintain a neat, well-groomed appearance and to dress as a TISA student with school spirit and pride. Decisions regarding the dress code will be referred first to the classroom teacher then to the director.

Appropriate clothing for school is basically what will support our educational goals, and that is learning first. TISA expects the parents to be involved in what their children are wearing to school. Clothing needs to be appropriate for the weather conditions and the tasks of school. Sunglasses are to be worn outside. Headgear can be worn indoors as long as it does not obscure the student's vision. Following is a list of what may not be worn:

Cut-offs, short-shorts, mini-skirts (must not be more than 5 inches above the knee, which would be about mid-thigh), oversize sagging pants or shirts, strapless tops, spaghetti straps, low-cut tops, see-through material, exposed midriff/back area, shoulder straps less than one-inch wide, insignias representing drugs, alcohol, tobacco, sex, violence, gangs or foul language, or any other attire that may be disruptive or unsafe in a learning environment. Shoes suitable for running should be worn at all times. Platform sandals, flipflops, high-heels and jellies pose a safety hazard and should not be worn to school.

All classroom teachers will discuss with their students the importance of dressing appropriately for the task of learning.

Consequences for inappropriate attire will include calling home to bring clothing that is appropriate. T-shirts can be covered with a sweater or larger shirt. Repeated offenses could, and may, mean out-of-school suspension:

*First Offense:* Change into a school provided T-shirt. Original shirt will be returned when clean T-shirt is returned to director.

*Second Offense:* change into a school provided T-shirt.

*Third Offense:* One day suspension. Phone call home.

*Fourth Offense:* Three day suspension. Phone call home.