

Can my daughter wear leggings to school?

The simplest answer is no, at least looking at it that way would make it easier for our students to avoid being assigned a detention for a dress code violation. However, we realize that some of our students like to wear leggings or form fitting legwear, especially on cold days. Under the fundamental guidelines regarding the dress code, leggings, tights and other form fitting wear are all prohibited unless covered by an appropriate length dress, skirt or pants. If a dress or skirt is shorter than three inches above the knee, with or without other legwear, a detention may be issued.

Can my child wear a spaghetti strap or tank top blouse or top? Here again the simplest answer is no. Many of our young ladies are trying to circumvent the dress code by wearing a jacket or sweater in an effort to hide a low cut, transparent or opaque top. The problem arises as the cover-ups come off in-between classes, at lunch and after school. Policing the dress code takes valuable time and energy away from the faculty and staff and clearly violates out guidelines. I would ask parents to review page 9 in the student planner, specifically the prohibited dress code items as it goes into detail of what our students can or cannot wear.

Our rule of thumb states that if any undergarment or prohibited dress item can be seen, a detention may be written. If a student has to be asked to rearrange their clothing or required to retrieve a sweatshirt, jacket or sweater from their locker, a dress code detention may be written. Having to enforce such clearly stated rules so late in the school year detracts from our mission of highest student achievement. Please support our efforts in providing as much "on task" learning opportunities as possible.

