



Treasure Village Montessori

Dress Code 2018/2019

Rationale

The TVM dress code policy is designed to provide students with a safe learning environment. This is a policy in which personal style and preference in attire are respected as long as appearance does not interfere with effective teaching and student success. We expect students to give proper attention to personal grooming and to dress appropriately for the school activities in which they participate. It is recognized that the responsibility for compliance with the dress code rests with the parents and the student. Attire for extended field trips will be announced beforehand and students are expected to comply.

Dress Code Guidelines

- Students may not wear clothing or accessories that denote violent, crude, obscene, or racist images. Clothing promoting drug or alcohol use is also prohibited.
- For safety reasons, all students must wear closed-toed shoes. Note: Middle school students may wear open-toed shoes on non PE and non-field trip days.
- No hats will be allowed (including caps or bandanas) in the classroom, unless worn as an expression of a family's religious belief. Note: Students may wear hats/sunglasses outside in the courtyard or for PE.
- Shirts should cover the midriff.
- Undergarments are not to be exposed.
- Shorts, skirts, and dresses must extend to mid-thigh.
- Strapless tops and dresses are prohibited.
- Uniforms are to be worn on PE days, on field trips, and for special events.
- Only one piece bathing suits are allowed for swim class.

Enforcement

Administration and enforcement of the dress code will be gender neutral and consistent. Teachers should focus on teaching without the additional burden of dress code enforcement. No student should be subjected to embarrassment, unnecessary discipline or shaming as a result of dress code infractions. The principal is the final arbiter of student dress and grooming.

Consequences for non-compliance are as follows:

1st infraction: An incident form will be sent home to parents with a copy kept in school records.

2nd infraction: Parents will receive a phone call from the principal.

3rd infraction: The third infraction will require a meeting between the parent and the principal.