



**CENTRAL BUCKS SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
*LEADING THE WAY*

The Central Bucks Schools will provide all students with the academic and problem-solving skills essential for personal development, responsible citizenship, and life-long learning.

The **Tamanend Middle School Dress Standards** keep two important factors in mind: 1) Tamanend is a learning community. Our goal is to focus on learning and minimize distractions. 2) Students express their individuality through their clothing choices. Our dress standards uphold a healthy balance of these two considerations. It is the mutual responsibility of school and home to teach and monitor the values of dressing for success. While the overwhelming majority of Tamanend students are always dressed appropriately for school, it is important to clearly communicate our expectations so that all students can meet the dress standard.

**What are some examples of clothing that are not appropriate for school?**

- Clothing with messages or pictures which show drug or alcohol symbols/products, cigarette advertisement, sexual innuendo, violence or hate
- Clothing which reveals undergarments
- Tops which expose bare midriffs (standing, sitting, bending)
- Tops or bottoms which are cut low and are revealing (e.g. scoop necks or low-riding pants)
- Tops which expose the maximum of the tops of shoulders (e.g., halter tops, muscle shirts, etc.)
- Shorts, skirts, or dresses which rise above the mid-thigh
- Skin-tight clothing or clothing which is transparent
- Unsafe adornments (e.g., hanging chains, spiked bracelets, spiked necklaces)
- Hats of any type are prohibited during the school day and should be placed in lockers during the school day. Hoods are considered hats and need to remain down during the school day.
- Jackets/Coats (placed in lockers during the school day)
- Book bags of any type are kept in lockers during the day. Some examples of book bags are drawstring bags, back packs, and totes.

**Where are the standards of student dress applicable?**

Acceptable standards of dress, grooming and modesty are adhered to on school grounds, on school buses, at school dances and other school sponsored activities on or off Tamanend school grounds.

**What will occur if a student is not dressed appropriately?**

The student will be directed to comply by using gym apparel, items in the student's locker, or clothing borrowed from the school or another student. As needed, the parent will be notified of the matter. If the student cannot find an appropriate change, the parent will be called to bring clothing to school. At events outside the regular school day (e.g., dances), the parent may be called to escort the child home.