

## **The Alva School**

K-3 Dress Code Policy 2023-2024

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Students and Parents at The Alva School are trusted to make good choices regarding personal attire.

The purpose of the Dress Code is to reinforce a focus on the learning process without the distractions of unsuitable dress and grooming. Students shall maintain a clean, orderly appearance at all times.

The responsibility for the personal appearance of the student rests with the parent/guardian and the student.

We believe that personal appearance shall not disrupt the educational process. A student who is dressed appropriately is demonstrating a respect for self and others, as well as contributing to a safe and orderly learning environment. The following establishes the minimum acceptable standards for student dress to be interpreted and enforced by the principal or designee. Each principal has the authority with his or her staff and community, as permitted by School Board policy, to establish additional standards at individual schools.

- Shorts, skirts, and dresses should be mid-thigh or longer. Shorts are recommended under skirts/dresses to ensure proper coverage during recess and PE
- No tank tops or spaghetti straps
- Closed-toed shoes shall be worn at all times. Crocs can be worn with the strap on the back of the heel.
  Sneakers are highly encouraged for PE/Gym. Improper shoes may result in exclusion from physical activity.
- Clothing that is either too loose or too tight may be deemed inappropriate
- Plastic water bottles filled with water are allowed on campus, but students may not bring bottles of soda, energy drinks, or other disposable cups unless they are to be consumed as part of their lunch

<u>Students wearing inappropriate dress will be verbally reminded and, if possible, given the chance to change into clothes from our donation closet, or parents may bring replacement clothing before the student can return to class.</u>

The above information establishes the minimum acceptable standards for a student dress to be interpreted and enforced by the administration and staff at The Alva School.

