

J.M. Alexander Middle School *The JMA Way* Dress Code

Scholars at Charlotte-Mecklenburg middle schools are expected to continue a tradition of appropriate dress for school and school related events. According to Charlotte-Mecklenburg School Policy, extreme styles in clothing and grooming may be detrimental to the maintenance of discipline and morale in school. The principal and her staff are responsible for determining and enforcing regulations governing proper dress and grooming of scholars. Any type of dress or grooming which is disruptive will not be permitted.

- All shorts and skirts should be worn no shorter than four inches from the top of the knee, regardless of the length of your arm.
- All scholars must wear shirts with sleeves.
- Scholars must wear shoes. Shoes designed to be tied or buckled must be tied and buckled. For safety reasons, scholars will not be allowed to wear bedroom shoes.
- Offensive or suggestive writing, pictures or packages on clothing or jewelry are prohibited. This includes advertising for alcohol, controlled substances, tobacco products or promotion of violence.
- Hats may be worn outside the building. When wearing, the front portion of the hat should be facing forward directly to the scholar's face. They should not be worn backward or to the side.
- No scholar will wear bandannas or do-rags at school.
- Clothing should be worn with appropriate undergarments and undergarments should not be visible. Provocative clothing (tube tops, thin straps, low necklines, strapless, too short, too tight, muscle shirts, tank tops, see-through clothing) are prohibited.