**MSD of Decatur Township**

**Elementary Dress Code**

In choosing what your child should wear each day, please keep the following in mind:

 The most appropriate clothes for school are easy-fitting, comfortable, washable play clothes to allow students to participate in all activities.

 No student’s clothing should be disruptive to the educational environment.

 Children should wear tennis shoes or other practical shoes. **Students who cannot yet tie shoes should wear shoes with Velcro or other shoes without shoelaces.**  Backless shoes/sandals/clogs, platform shoes, flip-flops and high heeled shoes should not be worn as they are not safe school attire. Shoes with wheels are not permitted.

 **Midriff, halter, tank or spaghetti-strapped tops are NOT allowed.** Shirts should completely cover a student’s midsection, both front and back.

 Shorts are permissible (weather-permitting) as long as they are fingertip length. Students may not wear short-shorts or bicycle/spandex shorts.

  Skirts must also be fingertip length.

 Undergarments should not be visible.

 T-shirts or other clothing with writing or pictures must be appropriate for school (no tobacco or alcohol references, profanity or suggestive material).

 No pajamas are to be worn to school except on designated “pajama days.”

 Students may not wear hats or head coverings in the school except on designated days or for medical or religious reasons.

 Clothes should fit the student’s body and pants will be worn at the waist.

 Students should not wear make-up or perfume. No make-up or perfume may be applied at school.

 Studded bracelets, belts, wallet chains or abnormal metal objects are not permitted.

 If styles change throughout the year, the administration reserves the right to modify the dress code as deemed necessary.

 A general rule of thumb to follow—”when in doubt, don’t wear it!”

