Appropriate Dress Agreement

You will be interacting with the children on the floor, during messy activities, and in outdoor play. We recommend wearing comfortable, easy-care clothing in the lab. Remember that we often have visitors, public and University officials, parents and students observing the lab. We want to convey a positive, professional image. Be sure to wear appropriate outdoor clothing in the cool fall and winter months. You are a model for the children. When you wear your coat, jacket or sweater when it is cold, the children will be more cooperative in wearing their coats and jackets.

Student teachers are required to wear Child Development Lab Polo shirts during lab hours. These shirts should be ordered from the CDL main office. Shirts are $18.00 a piece and $2.00 more per plus size.

Avoid Wearing
- High-heeled shoes
- Silks and other "fine" clothing
- Short-shorts and mini-skirts

Use discretion when wearing:
- Jeans
- Shorts
- Sweats

You will also want to:
- Take precautions if you have long hair or fingernails.
- Bring a hair clip/band of some kind with you to use when preparing food for children.
- Keep nails at a reasonable length for safety and sanitation practices.
- Avoid dangling jewelry, clothing with loose buttons or other detachable ornaments.
- Be cautious of eyeglasses since they can also be an easy-to-grab item.

Print and Sign: This completed (signed) form must be submitted in paper form, via mail or in person, to the CDL. MU Child Development Lab, University of Missouri, 31 Stanley Hall, Columbia, MO 65211, (573) 882-4318

Having read and understood these conditions, I/we agree to adhere to the above MU Child Development Laboratory policy.

Student Signature: ____________________________________________

Name: (print) ________________________________________________

Date: ___________________

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