

Student dress is largely a matter of personal judgment and taste. Clothing should conform to reasonable standards of modesty, cleanliness, good taste, and safety. Student dress will be considered acceptable if it does not violate the following principles:

- 1. Articles of clothing must not cause a distraction nor be a health or safety hazard.
- 2. Student appearance must not interfere with the instructional program.
- 3. Hair style must be:
 - A. Clean and well groomed and out of the eyes.
 - B. Any desired length that does not interfere with safety.
 - C. Only natural colored hair is permissible. (For example, blonde, brown, black, and red)

Specific standards of dress are as follows:

- 1. Dresses and non-uniform clothing must be of sufficient length to allow for performing normal school functions without immodest exposure. All outer garments (skirts, shorts, dresses, shirts worn over tights, etc.) are required to be no shorter than **six inches above t**he back of the knee. Spandex shorts, tights, and leggings are allowed ONLY with an outer garment that meets the six inches policy. Undergarments must not be visible. Garters and garter belts are considered undergarments.
- 2. Modesty will prevail. No low cut tops. See-through/sheer material is ONLY permitted worn over an article of clothing that is dress code compliant. Clothing that is torn, or with holes placed above fingertip length is prohibited. Pants, skirts, and/or shorts must cover all skin above the fingertip length.
- 3. Halter tops, low cut tops, and other similar clothing which reveals bare midriffs, bare backs, and low cut fronts may not be worn.
- 4. Clothing should be of the appropriate size. Clothing cannot be baggy or saggy, worn low on the body, nor drag on the ground.
- 5. Shirts will be buttoned properly. Tank tops are NOT permitted.
- 6. Trench coats are prohibited.
- 7. Hats and/or caps will not be worn inside during the academic school day.
- 8. No bandannas, rags, gloves, kerchiefs, or gang-related decorative articles. No visible gang-related tattoos.
- 9. Hanging wallet chains, banging belt ends, spiked/studded belts, bracelets, necklaces, chain belts, handcuffs; or sharp/heavy rings are not permitted.

- 10. Visible body piercing, with the exception of earrings, is prohibited.
- 11. Sunglasses may not be worn in school buildings without specific recommendation from a doctor.
- 12. Mustaches, beards, and sideburns must be well groomed. Grooming is at the discretion of the principal.
- 13. Shoes that mark the floor are prohibited.
- 14. Student dress or jewelry may not display information pertaining to profanity, obscenity, sexual connotations, ethnic slurs, death, tobacco, alcohol or other prohibited substances.
- 15. No pajamas, sleepwear, or house slippers of any kind (except for designated days such as theme or character days, etc.)

Students are expected to comply with the district dress code. When possible, a change of clothing is given for the first offense. Students who do not comply with the dress code will not be allowed to attend classes and will be placed in In-School Suspension for the remainder of the school day.

Principal or designee will have final discretion over the interpretation of the dress code.