

## **DRESS AND GROOMING**

The district's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, prevent disruption, and minimize safety hazards. Students and parents may determine a student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the following:

### **I. General Guidelines**

- a. All students are to practice personal hygiene.
- b. Clothing, accessories, or styles that express vulgarity, suggestive or controversial designs, promote drugs, alcohol or tobacco, promote violence, solicit racial discord (i.e. Confederate flags) or promote gang related activity as well as styles that might create a distraction from the learning process are not permitted.

### **II. Hair**

- a. Students are expected to keep their hair neat, well groomed, and out of their faces.
- b. Hair may not have designs shaved next to the scalp; be dyed or bleached a color unnatural to hair colors. Designs cut into eyebrows are also prohibited.
- c. Boy's hair must not extend below shirt collar, the middle of the ear, or the top of their eyebrows.
- d. Boys may not have ponytails, rat-tails, buns, or Mohawks.
- e. Mustaches and beards are not permitted. Faces must be clean shaven and sideburns must be neatly trimmed not extending below the ear.
- f. Any hair style that might be deemed distracting or excessive by administrators is prohibited.
- g. Campus administration will have final determination.

### **III. Clothing**

- a. All clothing must be free from holes or tears where skin is exposed above the knee. Any repair work must be done neatly. Duct tape will not be acceptable.
- b. All shirts must be buttoned four inches from the collar unless an appropriate shirt is worn underneath.
- c. Undershirts are not acceptable as outerwear. Shirts without sleeves must have a 3 inch wide strap. Boys must wear sleeved shirts.
- d. Students must wear undergarments which are not to be exposed.
- e. Students may not wear see-through blouses or shirts without an appropriate undershirt.
- f. Halter tops, tube tops, crop tops, backless, racerback, or low-cut shirts are not permitted. Skin may not show when both hands are raised.
- g. Students may wear shorts/skirts hemmed to an appropriate length as defined by campus administration. Acceptable length of shorts can be defined as 3 inches above the knee.
- h. The waistband of pants and shorts must be worn at the waist. Extremely baggy clothing will not be allowed.
- i. Skin-tight clothing such as dance wear, yoga pants, leggings, jeggings, leotards, or biker shorts are only permitted as layers under appropriate

clothing. Appropriate clothing must extend to no more than three inches above the knee.

- j. Pajamas and house shoes are not permitted.
- k. Shoes must be worn at all times.

**IV. Accessories**

- a. No head coverings of any kind, including but not limited to hats, caps, or bandanas may be worn in the building. Sunglasses are not to be worn inside the building.
- b. Earrings may be worn by girls only. No gauges are allowed.
- c. Body piercings are not allowed. Eyebrow rings, spacers, or any other visible piercing (other than earrings) are not permitted. Nose rings of any kind are not permitted. Covering an unauthorized piercing will not suffice, it must be removed.
- d. Skin decorations including permanent or temporary tattoos, symbols, words etc. must be concealed/covered at all times including athletic classes.
- e. Accessories that could be used as or considered a weapon including but not limited to wallet chains and/or choke chains are not allowed.
- f. Boys may not wear make-up, finger or toenail polish.

If an administrator determines that a student's grooming or clothing violates the school's dress code, the student will be given an opportunity to correct the problem at school. If not corrected, the student may be assigned to in-school suspension for the remainder of the day, until the problem is corrected, or until a parent or designee brings an acceptable change of clothing to the school. Repeated offenses may result in more serious disciplinary action in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct.