

STUDENT CONDUCT DRESS CODE (REGULATION)

In accordance with the policy of the board of education, the following regulation shall establish a dress and grooming code for the public school system.

Attire and grooming sets a tone for the entire educational setting. Students are expected to take pride in their personal appearance. Students are to dress in proper clothing to conform to acceptable standards. The school administration will make the final decision as to what constitutes proper attire. Student attire should not disrupt the educational process or constitute a possible threat to the safety and health of the student or his/her peers.

Generally, students should regard neatness and cleanliness in grooming and clothing as important. Dress or grooming which is in any way disruptive to the operation of the school will not be permitted.

Revealing or sexually provocative clothing, or clothing of extreme style may not be worn.

The school dress code will be effective during school hours and at all school functions unless administration gives permission to wear alternatives (dances, outside activities). On violation of school dress code, a student may call home for proper apparel. If clothing cannot be brought to school alternative clothing may be provided or administration may choose an alternative solution.

Principals, in conjunction with sponsors, coaches, or other persons in charge of extracurricular activities, may regulate dress and grooming of students who participate in a particular activity if the principal reasonably believes that the student's dress or grooming creates a hazard, or may prevent, interfere with, or adversely affect the purpose, direction, or effort required for the activity to achieve its goals.

If a student's dress or grooming is objectionable under the above provisions, the principal shall request the student to make appropriate corrections. If the student declines, the principal shall notify the student's parents or legal guardian and request that person to make the necessary correction. If both the student and parent or legal guardian refuse, the principal shall take appropriate disciplinary action.

Students who violate provisions of the dress code and who refuse to correct the violation may be disciplined by removal or exclusion from extracurricular activities. In extreme cases, students may be suspended until the violation is corrected.

The following items do **NOT** constitute proper attire and are NOT allowed:

- Tube tops, spaghetti strap tops, tank tops (straps must be three (3) finger widths), open back tops, any tops that are less than sleeveless.
- Shirts and tops will be no lower than two (2) inches below the collarbone and must be long enough to tuck in (sitting and standing). Layering of tops to meet standard is permitted.
- Clothing that is torn, bagging, sagging, or see-through which inappropriately exposes skin/flesh or underwear due to style or condition is not permitted. Pants with rips/tears are to be worn with an undergarment that doesn't expose skin/flesh. No underwear or lingerie should be visible. NO pajama-type bottoms are permitted.
- Leggings are allowed **WHEN** a shirt/blouse is worn that is at least to the fingertip length as the arms are extended.
- Clothing articles that display indecent writing (double-meaning), pictures, slogans, or advertises or promote drugs, alcohol, tobacco is not permitted.

- Headwear such as: hats, bandanas, or caps may not be worn during the instructional day in the building. Do not carry them around with you. Infraction will result in confiscation of the articles for the remainder of the school year or until parent comes to pick it up. The only exception for hats/headwear would be that of medical and/or religious exceptions.
- Any article that could cause damage to school property or that may be used as weapon, i.e. chains, cleats, etc. are not permitted in the building.
- NO house shoe style, flip flops or bare feet; shoes with backs are to be worn at all times.
- Jewelry/Piercing-facial/piercing is not permitted. Administration may choose to allow a “clear” piercing or spacers
- Sunglasses/sun-shade contacts are not to be worn during the instructional day in the building
- Hair-dos/coloring that is deemed by teacher/administration as a distraction to the learning environment
- No shorts will be allowed after November 1st until after Spring Break every school year.