

## STUDENTS

### Student Dress

The student and parent/guardian may determine the student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that the student's dress and grooming shall not:

1. Lead school officials to reasonably believe that such dress or grooming will disrupt, interfere with, or detract from school activities.
2. Create a health or other hazard to the student's safety or to the safety of others.

The principal, in connection with the sponsor, coach, or other person in charge of an extracurricular activity, may regulate the dress and grooming of students who participate in the activity if the principal reasonably believes that the student's dress or grooming does the following:

1. Creates a hazard to the student's safety or to the safety of others.
2. Will prevent, interfere with or adversely affect the purpose, direction, or effort required for the activity to achieve its goals.

In order to maintain adherence to the student dress policy, students may **not** wear the following:

- Overly baggy clothing
- Overly tight clothing
- Head coverings, e.g., hats, caps, etc.
- Shorts and skirts shorter than mid-thigh in length

Clothing that reveals the back or midriff, or through which skin and/or undergarment is visible, or when arms raised becomes visible. These may include, but are not limited to:

- Boxers
- Sheer tops
- Mesh tops
- Overly large openings at the neck or arms
- Off the shoulder tops
- Spaghetti straps
- Halter-tops
- Tube tops
- Swim tops
- Clothing that exposes the midriff

**\*Kindergarten – 5<sup>th</sup> grade application of this section of the regulation is at the discretion of the building principal.**

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- Clothing or accessories with offensive pictures, symbols or sayings. These include, but are not limited to:
  - Demeaning statements
  - Violent statements
  - Sexual statements
  - Racial statements
  
- Attire or accessories which identify affiliation with movements, groups, or values inconsistent with or that detract from the academic environment including, but not limited to:
  - Any gang affiliated clothing
  - Extreme gothic clothing
  - Sexually provocative clothing
  - Clothing with attached excessive chains, cords, straps, etc. (bondage clothing)
  
- Clothing that advertises or promotes tobacco (including electronic delivery devices), alcohol, marijuana or other drugs.
  
- Jewelry or accessories that could be used to cause harm or injury.

A good general policy regarding the dress code is: If there is ANY QUESTION about an item being inappropriate, DO NOT WEAR IT.

If the student's dress or grooming is objectionable under these provisions, the principal/designee shall request the student to make appropriate corrections. If the student refuses, the principal/designee shall notify the parent/guardian and request assistance in guiding the student to make the necessary correction. If both the student and parent/guardian refuse, the principal/designee shall take appropriate corrective action. Students may be suspended, if circumstances so warrant, and students who violate provisions of the dress code relating to extracurricular activities may be removed or excluded from the extracurricular activity for such period as the principal/designee may determine. All students shall be accorded due process safe-guards before any corrective action may be taken.

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