

STUDENT DRESS AND APPEARANCE

It is the responsibility of the Board of Education to provide an educational atmosphere conducive to learning. With this in mind, the Board has adopted a dress and appearance code that meets the following criteria:

1. Assures the basic rights of individuals granted under the Constitution of the United States.
2. Is applicable from kindergarten through the eighth year of school.
3. Meets the requirements and guidelines of Title IX.
4. Promotes an educational atmosphere conducive to learning.

Dress and Grooming

In accordance with state law and for student safety:

- All students are required to wear shoes.
 - Student attire will not disrupt the learning environment.
 - Clothing should be neat, clean, and fit properly.
1. T-shirts and other clothing that carry profane or objectionable slogans or pictures (i.e. drug or alcohol themes) are considered disruptive.
 2. Short-shorts, halter tops, tank tops with spaghetti straps, shim shirts (above the navel) are not appropriate. All undergarments should be fully covered.
 3. Cleats, chains, or apparel that could cause damage to the school property are not permitted.
 4. Other items worn on the person that may also be distracting, i.e., jewelry, hair style, hats, belts, makeup, etc., are not appropriate.

We believe our school is a student environment. We expect our students to follow society's rules of common courtesy and decorum. If the clothing substantially disrupts or interferes with the education process, we will work with the parents/guardians and student to find a more appropriate clothing standard.

Other School Attire

1. Sunglasses are not to be worn in buildings unless prescribed for an eye condition.
2. Safety or special purpose equipment must be worn when required.
3. Buttons or other insignia may be worn unless the message of the button harasses others because of race, religion, national origin or sexuality.
4. There shall be no restrictions on a student's hairstyle unless such may create a health or safety problem or cause a distraction to the normal classroom atmosphere.

Offenders of this dress and appearance policy will be dealt with on an individual basis.

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