

## DRESS CODE

**SECTION I:** All students are expected to dress appropriately for a K-12 educational environment. Any clothing that interferes with or disrupts the educational environment is unacceptable.

- A. Clothing may not depict, imply, advertise, or advocate illegal, violent, or lewd conduct, weapons, or the use of alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, or other controlled substances.
- B. Clothing may not depict or imply pornography, nudity, or sexual acts.
- C. Clothing may not display or imply vulgar, discriminatory, or obscene language or images.
- D. Clothing may not state, imply or depict hate speech/imagery targeting groups based on race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, religious affiliation, or any other protected classification. The Confederate Flag is prohibited.
- E. Clothing and accessories that endanger the safety of others may not be worn.
- F. Apparel, jewelry, accessories, tattoos, or manner of grooming that, by virtue of its color, arrangement, trademark or any other attribute, denotes membership in a gang that advocates illegal or disruptive behavior is prohibited.

**SECTION II:** Clothing must cover the chest, stomach, back and shoulders even when arms are raised. Tight fitting clothing and/or revealing pants are not allowed. Clothing must be covered with a shirt or garment that is no shorter than 5" above the knee as measured by a 3x5 index card.

- Pants are to be worn at the waist, and are not to drag the ground.
- See-through, mesh or garments with holes must not be worn without appropriate coverage underneath.
- Specialized courses may require specialized attire, such as sports uniforms or safety gear.
- Clothing must have shoulder straps at least 3 inches in width unless covered by jacket/sweater at all times.

### SECTION III: Accessories

1. No long chains, jewelry or cosmetic accessories that can reasonably be used as a weapon. (i.e., pants, book bags, etc.).
2. Headcoverings/hats
  - Pre-K-8: Headgear/head apparel including hats, hoods, headwraps, and caps are not allowed at school unless permitted for religious, medical or extenuating circumstances approved by administration.
  - Grades 9-12: Headgear cannot conceal the face unless permitted for religious, medical or extenuating circumstances approved by administration.
3. Shoes
  - Shoes must be worn at all times and should be safe for the school environment.
4. Sunglasses may not be worn inside the building.

The Administration at each school reserves the right to determine what constitutes appropriate dress according to the policy. Students who do not adhere to these guidelines will not be allowed to attend class until they are in compliance. Parents will be called to advise them of the situation. As a reminder, this dress code is not an exhaustive list. Any questions regarding this dress code should be addressed with school administration.

