Dress Code

Parents/guardians are responsible for assuring that students dress in an appropriate manner at all times while on campus or when involved in school activities. Personal appearance of students should promote health and safety, contribute to a climate conducive to teaching and learning, and project a positive image of the District to the community. Generally, student dress is considered appropriate as long as it does not, or foreseeably could not, interfere with the educational process, cause disruption, or damage school property. In addition to clothing, hats, and shoes, attire includes any jewelry, emblem, badge, symbol, sign, comment or other items worn or displayed by an individual. The administrative team reserves the right to determine when a student's dress is appropriate according to the policy. When a student's dress is deemed to be inappropriate by an administrator, the student will be asked to make modifications and/or call someone to bring acceptable attire. The student will be assigned to ISS for the remainder of the day or until the student has appropriate attire. Additional consequences will be given to repeat offenders.

- 1. Attire must comply with requirements for health and safety. Items such as chains, fish hooks, spike jewelry, and metal hair picks are not acceptable.
- 2. Attire must not be immodest, obscene, profane, lewd, vulgar, indecent, or offensive.
- 3. Shorts, skirts, and dresses should be at least fingertip length when student is standing with arms completely extended by his/her side with no skin exposed (including holes) to assure modesty when the student is seated or engaged in school activities. Leggings should be covered with shorts, skirt, or dress that is fingertip length. All pants and shorts should be secured at the waist, no sagging.
- 4. Shirts should be at least 3 fingers widths wide across the shoulders. Racer back shirts, shirts that expose the midriff or cleavage, spaghetti straps, and halter tops are not appropriate.
- 5. Appropriate undergarments should be worn and should be covered by outer clothing.
- 6. Uniforms for extra-curricular activities that are worn during classes other than physical education must be modified to conform to the Student Dress Code guidelines.
- 7. Attire must not evidence membership or affiliation with a "gang" in any negative sense of the term.
- 8. Attire must not display any information about, representation of, or advertisements for tobacco, alcoholic beverage(s), controlled drugs, or illegal drugs or paraphernalia, or have insinuate inappropriate content.
- 9. Shoes must be worn at all times. Bedroom shoes and shoes with soft soles are not appropriate.
- 10. Other examples of inappropriate attire include but are not limited to: form fitting apparel, spandex, spaghetti straps, halter tops, tops that expose the midriff, cleavage, or backs, pajamas/sleepwear, boxer shorts, fishnet apparel, sheer fabric, or items that are excessively loose fitting or tight fitting.

Note: Students should be able to raise their hands without their mid-drift showing. Students should be able to bend over without exposing their underwear. No underwear should be exposed for any reason at any time. The administrative team reserves the right to determine what is offensive and inappropriate in regards to hair styles, unnatural hair coloring, and inappropriate clothing. Please note that students grow over the course of the school year, what may be appropriate in the fall may not fit in the spring due to students growing taller and bigger over the school year.

Dress should not affect or distract the educational process. In the event the administration determines a student's dress is inappropriate in accordance with this policy, the administrative team will require the student to change. When the student needs to be sent home to change and the parent cannot be reached, the student may remain in ISS for the remainder of the day or until a parent can be reached.