

DRESS CODE Please refer to policy 7:160 Student Appearance for more information

Student dress sets the tone of a school and influences the way students behave. Students' dress and grooming must not disrupt the educational process, interfere with the maintenance of a positive teaching/learning climate, or compromise reasonable standards of health, safety, and decency at school or school sponsored-events. The word "clothing" includes accessories such as rings, earrings, necklaces, purses, backpacks, chains, and shoes.

The following is prohibited:

- Clothing which is considered to be revealing will not be allowed on any student. This would include clothing that does not cover from shoulders to thighs. The following are examples of revealing clothing: bare midriffs, backs or halter tops; excessively short skirts or shorts, low cut or strapless tops without a covering shirt; and visible underwear.
- Clothing which depicts the use of tobacco, alcohol, or illegal substances.
- Clothing which depicts graphics or wording with sexual, vulgar, lewd, or indecent meanings or connotations, or clothing which by community standards is indecent for purposes of educational and school activity. Students must be adequately clothed.
- Clothing which identifies a gang or a group whose purpose or effect is to interfere with the operation of the school or school activities or with the safety and security of students and staff.
- Clothing which is usually worn over indoor clothing for protection from outside elements may not be worn during the school day except as required for religious or medical purpose. This would include coats, jackets, scarves, and gloves.
- The wearing of hats/head coverings (for affiliation, fashion, holiday or school spirit events) is not permitted in school. Hats and head coverings should be left in the locker and may not be worn in school from the beginning of the day until the end of the day. This policy excludes head covering required by religious observance.
- Clothing that may damage school property or be readily used as a weapon.
- Clothing with graphics or wording which depicts violence in any form.

Building administrators shall have the authority to temporarily exclude any student for violations of the dress code.