policy

SCHOOL DRESS CODE

In order to promote school safety and provide a healthy and respectful educational environment, all students in grades kindergarten through twelve shall adhere to this dress code policy. The objective of this dress code is to provide an appropriate, safe and respectful educational environment while allowing students to dress comfortably, within limits, to facilitate learning. The District expects students to maintain the type of appearance that is not disruptive to educational process of the schools. The final determination of a student's adherence to the dress code will be made by the school administration.

Parents/guardians share equal responsibility with their child for the student's adherence to the dress code policy. Administration and faculty, together, are responsible for enforcement of the dress code. The dress code is enforced at school and school functions which are not open to the public. The decision of the principal is final with regard to dress code violations.

When dress or grooming interferes with the cleanliness, health, welfare or safety of students, or when dress or grooming disrupts the educational process it is prohibited. Clothing must be worn as designed and appropriately sized.

As new trends in fashion or dress emerge or become out of date, the District reviews and revises the dress code to reflect the standards of the community.

Based on input received from principals, staff, and parents, the required dress code shall consist of the following clothing:

DRESS CODE, GRADES K-12

A. No clothing is permitted that promotes drugs, alcohol, tobacco, sex, violence or is offensive or degrading.

B. No clothing associated with gangs.

C. No clothing that exposes underwear or excessive skin, or is transparent or "see-through".

D. Pants must be worn at the waist and should not show underwear.

E. No clothing long enough to drag on the ground.

F. No sunglasses unless prescribed in writing by a medical doctor for indoor wear.

G. No chain wallets or chains that could be dangerous to persons or destructive to school property.

H. No flip-flops, house shoes or slippers.

I. No pajama pants.

J. No excessive holes, tears or rips that show skin or underwear.

K. No low-cut, scoop or plunging necklines. All tops must meet bottoms. Torso cannot be exposed.

L. Sweatshirts with hoods will only be permissible so long as hoods are not worn in the building.

M. No coats, cold weather jackets, or blankets worn during the school day unless permission is granted.

N. No head coverings except for religious or medical purposes. The student (and if under the age of eighteen (18), the parent of the student) is to notify the school authorities of the religious practice in order to prevent the student from being questioned about the attire.

O. Shorts, capris, skorts, and dresses cannot be shorter than two (2) inches above the knee. No slits in skirts or dresses shall be higher than two (2) inches above the knee.

Other exceptions may be allowed **only** upon the **prior** approval of the administration.

DRESS CODE VIOLATIONS

Students who violate this policy are subject to the following disciplinary actions:

A. A warning is issued and the student's parents/guardians are required to bring alternative clothing for the student to wear.
B. Repeated violations may result in other disciplinary action pursuant to the Student Code of Conduct.
C. Building administrators will make the final decision at the building level if a student's attire does not meet the requirements of this policy.

GRADES 5TH THROUGH 12TH ONLY
SCHOOL IDENTIFICATION

If students attend classes or activities at a different campus besides the one where they are enrolled, they must have a school-issued ID in their possession.

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