

STUDENT DRESS CODE

Students are expected to adhere to standards of cleanliness and dress that are compatible with the requirement of a good school environment. Those standards generally acceptable to the community as appropriate in a formal school setting ordinarily will be the reference criteria.

A student's appearance or mode of dress or cleanliness will not be permitted to cause a substantial or material disruption or substantial disturbance to the educational process or constitute a threat to health or safety. When, in the judgment of a Principal, a student's appearance or mode of dress disrupts the educational process, or constitutes a threat to health or safety, the student may be required to make modifications.

Parental judgment will also be relied on to support this policy. Parents will be notified as to the nature of code violations and remedies will be identified.

In partial attainment of the foregoing, the following exceptions or guidelines will be the standards of criteria:

1. The Principal and/or designee has the absolute authority to determine what clothing is acceptable. Student and teacher concerns should be directed to the Principal.
2. Cleanliness -- clothing and grooming must be such that they do not constitute a health or safety hazard.
3. Clothing -- clothing must be adequate in ensuring a decent appearance.
4. Educational distraction -- grooming and dress must not be so unusual or bizarre as to constitute a distraction or to interfere with the educational opportunity of the other students.