

7-12 DRESS CODE

In order that the schools may achieve the purpose for which they are maintained, students are expected to conduct themselves in an orderly manner, showing respect for school rules, the teachers, the rights and property of others.

Personal pride, as well as pride in one's school are definite characteristics of a mature student and reflect a positive image. It is hoped that this image will find expression in the following:

1. A student's dress should not create undue distraction or result in adverse criticism. The dress and groom of all students should be reasonable and prudent.
2. Cleanliness is always a key to acceptable dress.
3. Students must wear shoes or sandals at all times--no bare feet.
4. Shorts with long baggy legs and finished seams are permissible dress thru October and beginning again on April 1.

Students may not wear for shorts:

- a. Cut-off jeans or sweats
 - b. Swim suits
 - c. Biker shorts
 - d. Gym clothes
 - e. Or any shorts which expose too much or are too short.
5. Bare midriffs, bare backs, plunging necklines, and exposed undergarment straps are not permissible.
 6. Students may wear commercial tank tops and muscle shirts as long as they conform to standards #1 and #5.
 7. Clothing that carry messages regarding drug, alcohol or tobacco products will not be allowed.
 8. Clothing that carry dual-purpose messages will not be allowed.
 9. Head coverings will not be allowed. (Unless it is a designated day to do so)
 10. Body piercing such as nose rings, lip rings, eye area piercing and tongue piercing will not be permitted.
 11. Boys' and girls' hair may be worn at any length as long as it is neat, clean, well groomed and does not cover any portion of the eyes.
 12. Students will be allowed to attend school with colored hair as long as the hair color of the student is a natural human hair color. Example: blonde, brown, black, etc.
 13. The length of a girl's dress or skirt should be reasonable.
 14. No Wallet Chains in excess of 5 inches may be worn.
 15. Others will like you as a person--the real you. It is not necessary to resort to extreme styles of dress in order to be noticed or accepted.
 16. Additional standards may be imposed in certain situations where performance of safety is hindered by the style of hair or clothes.

The sixteen guidelines should create a positive atmosphere conducive to learning. These guidelines will be reviewed periodically and revised in accordance with changing styles and customs.

If a student's general appearance attracts undue attention to the extent that it becomes a safety factor or disruptive factor in the school, the administrators will ask the student to make necessary changes. In the event that the change does not take place within the time allowed, the administrators will prescribe the action to be taken.