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Schools are educational institutions and high school students are expected to dress appropriately. No form of clothing or personal appearance will be allowed to interfere with the educational process or environment. School authorities may limit or prohibit any type or style of student dress, personal appearance or use of apparel, which, in the judgment of school officials, is deemed to create a disruption of the educational process or environment, including clothing that fits in an inappropriate manner.

The following attire is appropriate:

- Pants or jeans of the appropriate size and length which do not drag on the floor or expose skin or undergarment above the knee, and any leggings must be without sheer or mesh panels above the knee. Taping of holes will not be deemed appropriate.
- Shirts/blouses, sweatshirts, or T-shirts which do not display vulgar, profane, sexually explicit or implied meanings, double meanings, alcohol, tobacco or drugs, racially inappropriate items, items that reference violence (any weapon), or any other items deemed to be offensive by the faculty, staff, or administration.
- Shorts/skirts worn correctly that are mid-thigh/fingertip length and without holes or tears.
- One device-only laptop case/sleeve or tablet jacket; sleeves/cases/jackets are only to be used to carry devices and are not allowed into the classrooms without a device. *No straps over the shoulder.

The following attire is considered inappropriate dress:

- Hats, hoods, visors, bandanas, or other headgear (including rollers, do-rags, etc.). These items should be removed upon entering the building before school and not worn until 2:25 p.m.
- Holes or frays in jeans/pants that are above the knee. Must not expose skin or undergarments. Duct Tape over the holes is considered inappropriate.
- Leggings with sheer or mesh panels above the knee.
- Sunglasses or swim wear
- Items of clothing that expose the midriff or physical features inappropriately. No crop tops. Suggestion/Tip – skin should not be exposed when raising your arms.
- Coats/jackets/purses/book bags in the classroom. (Students should leave these items in their locker during school hours for safety reasons—students will be permitted to carry a pencil bag to class.)

- Cut-off sleeveless shirts, tank tops, off-the-shoulder tops, see-through or lace clothing, halter tops, or other garments with spaghetti straps or other similar straps.
- Pajamas-including lounge pants and house slippers.
- Accessories and clothing (jewelry, belt buckles, necklaces, etc.) with obscene, crude or rude writing pertaining to drugs, alcohol, violence (including weapons of any kind), sex, or racial context.
- Costume clothing
- Gang-related apparel of any kind.
- Backpacks or any book-carrying bag, case, or container in classrooms during the school day; all device carriers taken to classrooms should be small enough to carry the device only, not books or binders.

POLICY EVALUATION

We will evaluate the effectiveness of this policy through our School Improvement Planning Process.

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