

**In order to create a positive school atmosphere, attire and grooming should be school appropriate, reasonably modest and neat. A student's appearance must not disrupt the teaching or learning process; therefore, the below guidelines must be followed:**

- Appropriate and safe footwear must be worn at all times.
- Skirts, shorts, and dresses must be no shorter than the level where the student's closed fist strikes the thigh when standing, with arms straight down and shoulders relaxed.
- All clothing must cover undergarments, cleavage, and midriff.
- Underwear, including bralets and sports bras, cannot be worn as outerwear. Bare midriff, crop tops that expose the abdominal area, halter tops and tube tops are not permitted.
- Clothing with inappropriate pictures, alcohol advertisements, sexually suggestive messages, tobacco, weapons, or gang affiliations; slogans that contain offensive or obscene words, symbols, or signs; or slogans depicting violence or degrading any race, color, creed, religion, sex, ancestry, national origin, social or economic status, sexual orientation or drug-related messages are not allowed.
- Any articles of clothing or accessories with studs, chains, spikes, or cleats that could cause damage to other students or to property are not permitted.
- Non-prescription sunglasses and glazed and tinted glasses are not permitted except as prescribed by the pupil's doctor.
- Any articles of clothing which are considered distracting or disruptive to the educational process are subject to administrative review.

***Any articles that are deemed by the administration as distracting or disruptive to the education of the students will not be permitted.***

Students who violate the policy may receive one after-school detention, with increasing penalties for subsequent offenses. Students will be sent to the Main Office and asked to change into more appropriate dress. Parents should understand that they might be asked to bring a change of clothing to school for students who are in violation of this school policy. The school administration reserves the right to make a final decision regarding appropriate dress in school and at school-sponsored events. If parents cannot be reached to bring appropriate clothing to the school, the student will be placed in the In-school Suspension Room until such time as appropriate attire can be provided.

*Please feel free to contact administration with any questions regarding dress code.*