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# Official Revision Proposal: Student Dress Code

### **Main Principle**

Certain body parts must be covered for all students at all times. Clothes must be worn in a way such that buttocks, genitals, breasts and nipples are fully covered with non-see through clothing fabric.

All items listed in the "must wear" and "may wear" categories below must meet this basic principle.

### **Students Must Wear** (while following the main principle, stated above)

- A Shirt (with fabric in the front, back, and on the side under the arms), AND
- Pants/jeans or the equivalent (example: shorts, a dress, leggings, a skirt, sweatpants), AND
- Shoes.

<u>Note</u>: Courses that include attire as part of the curriculum (example: professionalism, public speaking, job readiness) may include assignment specific address, but should not focus on covering bodies in a particular way or promoting culturally specific attire. Activity-specific shoe requirement are permitted (example: athletic shoes for PE).

## Students May Wear (as long as they don't violate the main principle, stated above)

- Religious headwear.
- Religious head coverings.
- Pajamas.
- Hats. (Hats must allow staff to see the face of the student and not interfere with the line of sight or any student or staff)
- Fitted pants, including non-see through leggings, yoga pants, and "skinny jeans."
- Ripped jeans, as long as underwear and buttocks are not exposed.
- Tank tops, including spaghetti straps; halter tops.

- Hoodie sweatshirts are allowed; however, hoods may not cover the head indoors.
- Visible waistbands on undergarments or visible straps on undergarments worn under the clothing (as long as this is done in a way that does not violate the main principle stated above).
- Athletic attire.

### Students May Not Wear

- Gang-affiliated clothing.
- Any clothing that reveals visible undergarments (visible waistbands and visible straps are allowed)
- Swimsuits (except those required in class or athletic practice)
- Accessories that could be considered dangerous or could be used as a weapon. No replica weapons.
- Hate speech, profanity, pornography.
- Violent language or images.
- Images or language depicting drugs or alcohol (or any illegal or activity).
- Images or language that creates a hostile or intimidating environment based on any protected class or consistently marginalized groups.
- Any item that obscures the face or ears, no masks. (except as a religious observance).
- Trench coats.
- Blankets.
- Sunglasses.

#### Important notes:

Adjustments to the dress code may be made on a case by case basis for a student's IEP or 504.

These dress code guidelines shall apply to regular school days and summer school days, as well as any school related events and activities, such as graduation ceremonies, dances and prom.

Administering the student dress code in an elementary school (K-5) is different than in a secondary school (6-12). Staff concerns regarding a student dress issue need to refer concern to a building administrator.