

Student Dress and Grooming**

Responsibility for dress and grooming rests primarily with students and their parents. Students may generally dress as they please, but there are some restrictions in keeping with basic health and safety standards, as well as minimizing disruptions to the learning environment. Provisions for dress and grooming for performance, activity-based, career or special activities will arise directly from the needs of the course or activity. Courses in science, career-technical education, music, fine arts, and alike, will outline the specific dress needs for safety, performance or venue in the respective course syllabi and/or safety contracts. Special activities or field trips will have specific dress needs outlined prior to departure so that both students and parents are prepared for both the activity and site location.

Each school has a pantry that contains clean clothes and toiletries for students. Students may use locker room facilities or other private bathing facilities as they request. When student hygiene impacts the ability of others in the classroom environment to learn, they may be asked by teaching or administrative staff to make use of the bathing facilities or pantry supplies.

Student religious apparel and head or hair coverings (yarmulke, kippah, kufi, hijab, dupatta, turban, pagri, bonnets, etc.) are allowed.

SPECIFIC GUIDELINES TO BE OBSERVED

1. Shirts and shoes are required.
2. Clothing with illicit drug, alcohol or tobacco messages are prohibited as these substances are illegal for minors or are illegal by law.
3. Clothing with vulgar, plainly offensive, profane, obscene or sexually explicit references, graphics or comments are prohibited.
4. Clothing may not advocate prejudice, violence, or depict violence.
5. Hoods, scarves, bandanas, facemasks, etc. that obscure a person's face or identity pose a safety hazard/threat and are not permitted on school grounds or during school activities (exceptions may be made for special activities such as Spirit Week).
6. Clothing that depicts gang affiliation or other hostile messages that could be interpreted as harassment in their message (implied or not) may not be worn.
7. Undergarments should not be visible to others. Clothes designed primarily as undergarments may not be worn as exterior, visible clothing. Clothes that are see-through and/or worn in a way that reveal undergarments are not appropriate and may not be worn.

Students who do not follow the above guidelines will be asked to change their clothes and/or will be provided with alternative clothing from the student pantry/school office if the student has nothing readily available on campus. Clothes provided by the office are for temporary use. Hygiene products provided by the office do not need to be returned. Flagrant, deliberate or repeated violations will result in disciplinary action.