



DRESS AND GROOMING GUIDELINES

A dress code or a uniform may be required for appearance, safety factors and as a necessity to protect clothing. Clothing that is excessively tight, short, or revealing is inappropriate. This includes extremely short shorts and skirts, tank tops, or clothing that reveals the midriff. Students must wear shoes. Clothing or attire that can be construed as gang-related is not permitted.

Any apparel or accessory that graphically or symbolically is vulgar, offensive, obscene or libelous or promotes sex, violence, tobacco, drugs, or alcohol is unacceptable and will not be permitted. In addition, chains, spikes or any other item that may be construed by a school official as a safety hazard will not be permitted.

Program uniforms and safety glasses need to be worn as determined by the program teacher or administrator. Wearing sunglasses is permitted only for medical reasons.

The District's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, instill discipline, prevent disruptions, avoid safety hazards, and teach respect and is similar to those enforced in most working environments.

The provisions of the dress and grooming code are enforced at school and at school-sponsored activities. The District encourages students, with the supervision of their parents, to maintain high standards of dress, grooming, and personal appearance. School attire should never be suggestive or indecent. The following guidelines apply:

1. Hats and/or head coverings and visible body piercing may not be allowed in certain classes, programs, and areas of the building.
2. Brief and revealing clothing are not appropriate apparel in school. The following are examples and do not cover all situations. Students shall not wear tank tops, halter tops, garments with spaghetti straps, strapless garments, or large arm holes. Garments that are see-through, cut low, or expose one's midriff or undergarments while the wearer is engaged in normal activity are not acceptable.
3. Tops and bottoms must overlap at all times, including when arms are raised.
4. Bicycle or tight shorts are not permitted. Skirts and shorts shall be no more than four inches above the top of the knee.
5. No writing or pictures are allowed on any clothing unless it meets the following guidelines:
 - School "spirit wear" is permissible.
 - College or accredited post-secondary school apparel is permissible.
 - Professional sports team apparel is permissible (Browns, Cavaliers, etc.).
 - Apparel related to branches of the military is permissible.
 - Apparel with a logo of a recognized clothing manufacturer is permissible (Polaris Career Center administration reserves the right to use their discretion in the recognition of legitimate clothing apparel manufacturers).
6. Extremes in any types of clothing, footwear, make-up or jewelry shall not be permitted. Costumes are not allowed unless approved by administration.
7. Appropriate footwear that is not considered a safety hazard shall be worn at all times; instructors shall determine what is and what is not appropriate for their classroom or lab.
8. Clothing intended to be worn as undergarments or sleepwear may not be worn as outer garments. **No undergarments (boxers, etc.) shall be exposed.**
9. Clothing may not depict bombs, weapons, or illegal acts.
10. Clothing may not depict gangs or signify membership in gangs.
11. Metal-studded collars, arm bands, wristbands, chains, and/or metal-studded clothing are not permitted. Restrictive devices are not permitted.
12. Pants that sag or fit below the waist are not permitted.