DRESS AND GROOMING (All Grade Levels)

The district’s dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, prevent disruption, and minimize safety hazards. Students and parents may determine a student’s personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the following:

**Girls**

- Length of clothing shall preclude indecent exposure when the student is sitting, standing, or performing any normal school activity. Garments worn must be hemmed and must be within 3¼ inches (credit card length) from the top of the knee cap. Biker shorts, wind shorts, or frayed clothing are not allowed. Pants must be worn in an appropriate manner (maintained at the waistline).

- No form-fitting apparel, apart from denim jeans with pockets. Yoga pants, tights, leggings, and jeggings are not permitted, unless they are accompanied by an approved top that is within 3¼ inches from the top of the knee cap.

- See-through blouses, bare midriffs, or low-cut attire are not permitted and there will be no visible cleavage.

- Jeans will not have any holes and must be worn in an appropriate manner (maintained at the waistline).

- Footwear shall be a part of the regular attire. House shoes are not allowed.

- Strapless or spaghetti strap garments, tank tops, racer-back, muscle shirts, mesh tops or altered dresses or pants with slits, and any other garments revealing the midriff is not permitted. Shoulders on blouses must be 2 inches wide.

- Girl’s hair shall be styled and worn so that the eyes are visible. Excessive or distracting make-up or hair color is not permitted. Hair color must be of naturally occurring color in the human genome. Other hair colors such as purple, green, etc. are distracting and a violation of the dress code.

- Makeup and jewelry shall be in good taste and not disruptive. They shall not constitute a safety hazard or distraction to others. Visible body-piercing adornments are allowed on the ears only. Ear gauging is not permitted. Non-approved adornments must be removed (not covered) and spacers are prohibited.

- Explicit or insinuative apparel that is distracting, vulgar, or that advertises alcoholic beverages, tobacco, drugs, sex, or violence is prohibited.

- Wearing hats/caps in any school building during school hours is prohibited.

- Visible tattoos are unacceptable at school and all school-sponsored events.
Boys

• Length of clothing shall preclude indecent exposure when the student is sitting, standing, or performing any normal school activity. Garments worn must be hemmed and must be within 3 ¼ inches (credit card length) from the top of the knee cap. Biker shorts, wind short, or frayed clothing are not allowed. Pants must be worn in an appropriate manner (maintained at the waistline).

• Jeans will not have any holes and must be worn in an appropriate manner (maintained at the waistline).

• Tank tops, muscle shirts, or mesh shirts are not to be worn.

• Neck opening on any type shirt may not exceed the 1st button below the collar button of a dress shirt.

• Earring(s) and/or visible body-piercing adornments are prohibited at school or school sponsored activities. Adornments must be removed (not covered) and spacers are prohibited.

• The hair shall be neat clean, well-groomed and shall not exceed the base of the collar on a regular dress shirt, or may not extend below the base of the ear (hair and or side burns), not below the eye brows in front. Hair shall not be tucked, tied, braided or cut in a Mohawk. Hair style shall not be distracting by style and/or color. Hair color must be of naturally occurring color in the human genome. Other hair color such as purple, green, etc. are distracting and a violation of the dress code.

• Beards and mustaches (facial hair) are not permitted, and regular shaving is required.

• Explicit or insinuative apparel that is distracting, vulgar, or that advertises alcoholic beverages, tobacco, drugs, sex, or violence is prohibited.

• Footwear shall be a part of regular attire. House shoes are not allowed.

• Wearing hats/caps in any school building during school hours is prohibited.

• Visible tattoos are unacceptable at school and all school-sponsored events.

• Make-up and nail polish are prohibited.

If the principal determines that a student’s grooming or clothing violates the school’s dress code, the student will be given an opportunity to correct the problem at school. If not corrected, the student may be assigned to in-school suspension for the remainder of the day, until the problem is corrected, or until a parent or designee brings an acceptable change of clothing to the school. Repeated offenses may result in more serious disciplinary action in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct.