

## **Dress Code**

### **Student Rights:**

- \* To learn without being offended or distracted by the way other students are dressed.

### **Student Responsibilities:**

- \* To come to school or school-sponsored events fully clothed in accordance with the school dress code.

Students are expected to dress for school and school activities in a way that contributes to their health and safety that promotes a positive school learning environment and does not disrupt the events and activities of the school.

### **General Dress Code Requirements**

This general dress code applies to students from the time the student arrives on school property until the end of the school day and at all school activities during the school day. Exceptions may be made by the principal for field trips or other special activities.

Girls: The dress code for girls is a long or short-sleeved shirt of any color.

Shirts/blouses/dresses must cover midriff, back, and sides at all times; and must be fastened with no visible cleavage or undergarments.

Shorts/skirts/jumpers/skorts/dresses shall be worn no shorter than **three inches above** the kneecap. Leggings, tights or hosiery can be worn underneath dresses, skirts, or shorts.

Boys: The dress code for boys is a long or short-sleeved shirt of any color.

Clothing must be the appropriate size for you, not be oversized or undersized. The waist of the garment shall be worn so that the waistband is worn at the waist and not below the waist. You may not wear baggy/saggy pants. If pants have loops a belt is required and must be inserted within the loops and properly fastened.

### **Shoes**

Shoes must be safe and appropriate. Students must wear athletic shoes during physical education activities. You may not wear bedroom slippers or shoes with wheels. A manufacturer's logo/image is acceptable. Shoes must have a closed toe and closed heel. You may not wear platforms, heels higher than two inches at HCHS and one inch at the elementary schools, cleats, sandals, flip flops, slides, crocs or jellies.

**You may not wear:**

- A. clothing and accessories that are dangerous to health or safety and are distracting or disruptive.
- B. clothing in a way that reveals private body area(s) or undergarments.
- C. clothing, haircuts, display items/body art with markings or an accessory (such as backpacks, jewelry, buttons, and purses) that:
  - 1. promote drugs, alcohol, tobacco, gang identification, weapons, or lewd sexual behavior; or
  - 2. denigrate or promote discrimination for or against an individual or group on the basis of age, color, disability, national origin, sexual orientation, race, religion or gender.
- D. clothing that is not properly fastened.
- E. clothing that is torn, has holes, or pants that are frayed.
- F. athletic shorts, cut-off pants, short-shorts, swimming shorts/bathing suits, running shorts, or clothing made of spandex material.
- G. visible undergarments, sleeveless shirts, sleepwear or outer garments traditionally designed as undergarments such as boxer shorts, or bras.
- H. hats, headgear, headphones, earbuds, or other head coverings, including rags and bandannas inside the school building except when approved by the principal/designee.
- I. body piercing jewelry, except for earrings on the ears. All other body piercing jewelry must be removed or concealed by clothing (i.e., tops/bottoms).
- J. jewelry or accessories that may be used as weapons, such as chains, spiked jewelry or arm bands and rubber bands.
- K. combs, curlers, or hair picks. Personal grooming such as combing, brushing, or spraying hair and applying cosmetics are allowed only in restrooms or designated areas.
- L. sunglasses on face or head inside the school building. You may wear sunglasses, hats, or other sun protective wear while outdoors during school hours.

**DISCIPLINE**

The principal or designee has the authority to decide if your clothing complies with Board policy. If the principal determines that your clothing does not comply with Board policy, discipline will be according to the Code of Student Conduct.