

# REGULATION

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## R 5511 DRESS CODE

### A. General Rules

1. Pupils are expected to be clean and well groomed in their appearance.
2. Pupils are expected to avoid extremes in appearance that are so disruptive or distracting that the reaction of other pupils is beyond normal control.
3. Dress or grooming that jeopardizes the health or safety of the pupil or of other pupils or is injurious to school property will not be tolerated.

### B. Prohibited Clothing and Articles

The following garments and articles are prohibited in school and at school-sponsored indoor events:

1. Students may not go barefoot or wear thongs, and are not allowed in stocking feet.
2. Tank tops, tube tops, see-through tops, bare-back or midriff tops are not permitted.
3. Sun glasses may not be worn in the building.
4. Obscene, indecent, or suggestive graphics are not permitted. The same applies to messages favoring substance abuse or illegal activities.
5. Hats, headbands, bandannas, and chains must be removed while in the building.
6. Shorts may be worn during designated times of the year as determined by the administration if they conform to the following:
  - a. Shorts must be appropriate and not distracting,
  - b. No shorts designed as underwear are to be worn,
  - c. Shorts are to be no more than three inches above the knee,
  - d. Shorts must be loose-fitting (no spandex or skin-tight shorts),
  - e. Cut-off sweats are unacceptable,
  - f. Gym shorts are unacceptable.



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7. The following garments worn no higher than three inches above the knee are considered appropriate attire during the school year:

- a. Skirts,
- b. Wide split leg pant skirts,
- c. Culotte skirts.

The building administration reserves the right to interpret what is appropriate dress or attire.

## C. Physical Education

1. Pupils shall wear the designated gym suit, which is available for purchase through the school.

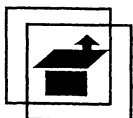
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Pupils shall wear the following types of clothing for physical education classes:

- a. Athletic type boxer shorts without pockets or fringes and marked on the outside of the lower right leg with the pupil's first initial and last name.
  - b. Plain tee shirt marked on the outside of the right shoulder with the pupil's first initial and last name.
  - c. A sweat shirt for outdoor activities in cool weather.
2. Boys are required to wear an athletic supporter.
  3. Snug belts, cut-offs, jeans, loose jewelry, and dirty or torn clothing and accessories are prohibited.
  4. Pupils must wear sneakers or rubber-soled athletic shoes; slip-on shoes, hard-soled shoes, and bare feet are prohibited in gym class.
  5. Pupils are required to shower after gym class that involves strenuous physical activity.

## D. Enforcement

1. Teaching staff members will report perceived violations of the dress code to the building principal, who will interpret and apply the code.



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2. Pupils who publicly represent the school or a school organization at an activity away from the school district are required to dress in full accordance with the reasonable expectations of the staff member in charge of the activity [**or wear the school uniform**]. Pupils unwilling to comply with this requirement will disqualify themselves from participation.
3. Pupils will not be permitted to attend a school-related function, such as a field trip, after-school activity unless they are attired and groomed in accordance with this dress code.
4. The principal may waive application of the dress code [**or the school uniform**] on a day especially scheduled for pupils' free expression in dress and grooming.
5. A pupil whose dress or grooming has been found by the principal to violate this regulation may appeal the principal's determination to the Superintendent, whose decision will be final.

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