



DRESS CODE POLICY – June 2021

As an arts academy, we support the individuality, creativity, and self-expression of our students. This policy is being put in place to maintain a productive and positive educational environment for our school community.

A student who violates the dress code shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary action. The Director of School or designee shall upon finding that dress or attire is not in compliance with the dress code, afford the student the opportunity to be in compliance with the dress code. If unable to comply, parental notification will be attempted, and parents will be given the opportunity to bring suitable clothes to the student. Students will not be allowed to leave school to change clothes without parental and administrative approval. The student will be excluded from all classes, lunch, study periods, and any other school activities that occur during the regular school day until a student is in compliance with the dress code. The student is responsible for making up any missed work.

Students are prohibited from wearing the following:

1. Any clothing, jewelry, tattoos, or accessories, which, through word, design or double meaning display, advertise or otherwise promote the use of the following:
 - Illegal or controlled substances including, but not limited to, alcohol, tobacco or other drugs
 - Sexual reference and/or language
 - Intolerance of or lack of respect to others based on gender, race, religion, ethnicity, social, sexual preference, disability, or economic background
 - Violence
 - Profanity or vulgarity
3. Apparel that is sexually suggestive, including clothing whereby its brevity or sheerness is sexually explicit. This includes pants, skirts, shorts, tops, and other clothing which does not provide appropriate coverage.
4. Clothing that is not sufficient to conceal undergarments or midriff at all times. Shirts and other tops must either tuck into pants or overlap the pants



while seated, walking, and standing. No skin can show between the pants and the shirt/top. Students should not be exposing underwear or midriff when seated or moving.

Shorts should have a 3-inch inseam or longer. Skirts should be of mid-thigh length (to the fingertips). Clothing that exposes cleavage anywhere is inappropriate. Any style top may be worn if it has straps as wide as two fingers, does not expose cleavage, covers the top of the pants, and if the top is not lower in the back than a bra strap would be.