



North Schuylkill School District
Student Dress Code 2021-2022

Students are encouraged to take pride in their physical appearance and to select clothing that is complimentary to them and appropriate to the weather and season. When students come to school inappropriately dressed, as determined by the administration, the faculty and administration will take steps to correct the situation. Such correction will include a change of the clothing found to be inappropriate. The right of interpretation and enforcement of these basic guidelines is delegated to the school principal or designee. **Policy 221 Dress and Grooming – suspended for the 2021 - 2022 school year.**

The following specific dress and grooming provisions will apply:

1. Students are responsible for keeping themselves, their hair and their clothing clean.
2. Length and style of hair, clothing or jewelry will be regulated to eliminate any health or safety hazards, and to prevent any disruption of the educational process. Students with long hair may be required to wear restraining devices in certain situations such as technology education labs, science labs, home economics, physical education and athletic contests.
3. Clothing displaying profanity, obscene pictures, gestures, or words, drug or alcohol use, alcohol or tobacco products, weapons or sexual innuendoes is not acceptable.
4. Clothing that is tight or revealing that tends to disrupt the educational process is not acceptable. No clothing may purposely expose undergarments.
5. Clothing or jewelry that creates, or may permit to create, danger or disruption to the school community is prohibited. Suggestive clothing is disruptive to the educational process and will not be permitted. Likewise, jewelry which may pose a danger to the student or others will not be permitted.
6. It is against school policy for any individual to harass another based on race, religion, ethnic background, gender, sexual orientation, age, disability or national origin. Clothing which creates a substantial disruption of schoolwork, classes, events or activities, or interferes with the rights of others is prohibited.
7. Students may wear hats or head coverings to and from school, but not while school is in session. Any request for an exception based on religious beliefs should be submitted to the building principal. Hair restraints may be worn during school to hold hair safely in place.

8. Tops will not expose the mid-section of the body. Spaghetti straps, as well as completely bare shoulders, are not acceptable. Sleeveless clothing is permitted as long as undergarments are not shown, and they comply with dress code provision #4. In addition, tops or shirts must be cut modestly.
9. Wearing of Shorts – (A.) Secondary – Shorts of mid-thigh length or longer may be worn during the school year with consideration given to temperature and weather conditions. (B.)Elementary – Shorts of mid-thigh length or longer may be worn during the school year throughout daylight saving time, providing the weather is appropriate for such attire.
10. Skirts of mid-thigh length or longer may be worn.
11. Students must wear safe footwear that will not mark or damage school property.
12. Gloves or outerwear coats are not to be worn in the school unless permitted by the teacher due to the temperature in the classroom.
13. The clothing items noted below are considered inappropriate and are not permitted to be worn in school. This is not an all-inclusive list as the administration maintains the right to determine articles of clothing that may be disruptive to the educational process.

- Hooded sweatshirts
- Clothing which hangs from the body and/or may drag on the floor
- Jewelry which interferes with speaking, hearing or seeing
- Spiked jewelry and wallet chains
- Biker shorts or spandex
- Bathing suits
- Kerchiefs or bandanas
- Roller sneakers
- Sunglasses
- Any holes in jeans
- Tank tops and muscle shirts
- Pajamas
- Leggings

BOOK BAGS/GYM BAGS

Students will be permitted to use regular book bags and gym bags. Clear and/or mesh book bags and/or gym bags are still acceptable. Transporting of Chromebooks to and from school should be considered when purchasing book bags for the upcoming school year. Any damage to the Chromebook is the responsibility of the student.