

## CVHS Dress Code

The Board of Education has determined that a student may not remain at school dressed in a manner which (1) creates a safety hazard for said student or for other students at school, and/or (2) when the dress constitutes a serious and unnecessary distraction to the learning process or tends to disrupt campus order.

When the site administrator/designee determines that a student's attire is in violation of this policy, the student will be required to modify his/her clothing and/or apparel in such a manner that it no longer violates this policy. If necessary, the student may be taken or sent home with parental permission to modify unacceptable dress and return to school. Refusal to take steps as described in this policy shall be cause for disciplinary action against the student.

1. Shoes must be worn at all times. A substantial sole is required and enclosed toes and heel footwear are highly encouraged. Platform shoes (over 3 inches), and slippers are not permitted.
2. Extremely brief garments that are distracting to the educational environment are not acceptable. For young ladies, those garments would include: halter tops, tube tops, pajama tops and/or bottoms, muscle shirts, sleeveless undershirts worn as an outside garment, strapless apparel, any clothing that reveals underwear, spaghetti straps or any shirt that is less than 1 inch in width, off the shoulder apparel, see-through garments, low-cut garments, bare midriff garments (**A jacket or cover-up to conceal brief clothing that reveals bras or bare midriffs is not acceptable**). For young men, those garments would include: sleeveless sports jerseys, tank tops, pajama tops and/or bottoms, muscle shirts, saggy pants and baggy pants (definitions of saggy and baggy pants are at bottom of this page).
3. Extremely short skirts and shorts are not permitted.
4. Garments with violent, suggestive or obscene statements will not be allowed. Garments or accessories with slogans or pictures depicting or promoting drugs, alcohol, tobacco, nudity or controlled substances are not appropriate. Clothing which causes hatred or unrest between students is not allowed.
5. Earrings, jewelry or accessories, which present a safety hazard to the wearer or others are not suitable for school wear. Spiked or studded jewelry of any kind, including bracelets, chokers, rings, gloves, and belts are not acceptable.
6. Only prescription sunglasses may be worn in classrooms or offices. Other types of sunglasses may be worn on campus outside of class.
7. Identified gang attire such as bandannas, hair nets, towels, beanies or hair rollers or any gang paraphernalia is prohibited. Those items of attire include: Bib overalls with straps unbuckled, oversized, sagged or baggy pants, lettered or numbered belt buckles, apparel with emblems, printing, etc. that create animosity, suspenders that are not worn properly on the shoulders, clothing worn in such a manner that would conceal any weapon, beeper/cell phone, or contraband that could be carried on the person.
8. Except for hats approved for sun protection, NO head wear will be permitted to be worn on any secondary school campus. School caps/hats or head wear that is part of a uniform worn for athletic events may be worn on the field or area of play but may NOT be worn on campus when the event is not in progress. Head wear guidelines shall apply equally to male and female students. Hats approved for sun protection must follow these guidelines:
  - The hat must be white, tan or khaki colored.
  - The hat must be foldable, allowing it to be folded and placed in a student's pocket or backpack while the student is indoors.
  - The hat must have a full circumference brim, which measures 2" to 5" in width. While the hat is being worn, the brim cannot be molded or folded in any way.
  - No manufacturer or team logos shall be present on the outside of the hat, including the underside of the brim.
  - For identification purposes, a student's name may be inscribed inside the hat lining. No other markings are allowed on any part of the hat.
  - The administration is responsible for determining the appropriateness of a hat and whether the hat meets District criteria and provides substantive protection from the sun.

The intent of this policy is clearly to prevent the display of unauthorized head wear on campus; thus “worn” is interpreted in the broadest sense. Any student who displays any unauthorized head wear either by wearing it on the head or in a manner that the head wear is visible will be deemed as in violation of this policy.

9. METAL REINFORCED footwear such as Doc Martin boots, chains of any form such as wallet safeguards or chokers, safety pins worn on the outside of clothing and excessively long belts (sized belts must be worn on the belt loops) violate the intent of the gang attire policy provisions and are subject to dress code violation penalties.

### **Definitions**

**Baggy pants:** the waistline of the pants, located at the hip bone of the student, when pulled and pinched will not have an excess of cloth material greater than one inch or one size larger than actual size.

**Sagged pants:** the waistline of the pants is to be located at the hip bone of the student. With the pants correctly worn, the crotch of the pants will not hang below the torso. The length of the “hemmed” pants will be no longer than the heel of the shoe. Properly fitted pants incorrectly worn (below the hip bone) are sagged pants.

FOR THE SAFETY OF ALL CVHS STUDENTS AND STAFF, THE ADMINISTRATION RESERVES THE RIGHT TO BAN ANY CLOTHING STYLE THAT INDICATES GANG AFFILIATION, VIOLENCE OR DRUG USE OR ANY CLOTHING STYLE THAT DISTRACTS FROM THE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT. THE ADMINISTRATION ALSO RESERVES THE RIGHT TO DO RANDOM DRESS CODE CHECKS AS NECESSARY FOR THE SAFETY OF ALL STUDENTS.

### **Consequences:**

- First offense: Warning; loaner clothes will be provided for the remainder of the school day. If the dress code item is an accessory (example: hat, beanie, etc.) the item will be held in the office and returned at the end of the school day.
- Second offense: Loaner clothes will be provided for the remainder of the school day, lunch detention issued. If the dress code item is an accessory (example: hat, beanie, etc.) the item must be picked up by student’s guardian.
- Third offense: Loaner clothes will be provided for the remainder of the school day, lunch detention issued. If the dress code item is an accessory (example: hat, beanie, etc.) the item must be picked up by student’s guardian.
- Fourth offense: Loaner clothes will be provided for the remainder of the school day, after school detention issued. If the dress code item is an accessory (example: hat, beanie, etc.) the item must be picked up by student’s guardian.
- Fifth offense: Loaner clothes will be provided for the remainder of the school day, may result in suspension. If the dress code item is an accessory (example: hat, beanie, etc.) the item must be picked up by student’s guardian.