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**Basic Standard of Appearance Guidelines for All Students**

- Apparel advertising tobacco, alcohol, illegal substances, and/or offensive slogans is not acceptable attire at school or school-sponsored activities. Clothes making statements with sexual innuendoes are not allowed.
- The wearing of clothing, jewelry or a style of grooming that is identified with membership in a gang will not be tolerated in school or at any school-sponsored activity. Apparel that interferes with or endangers self or others while participating in school or school-sponsored activities is not allowed.
- Clothing must be clean, pressed, and free of holes, tears, and frays.
- Dress will not be worn that causes or is likely to cause the disruption of the educational process.
- The final decision as to the safety or suitability of the clothing, hair, or jewelry will be left up to the principal or designee.
- No denim, camouflage, or leather material allowed (exception is Vanguard letterman jackets).

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**Hair**

- Hair must be clean, neat, and styled traditionally. Only natural colors are allowed. No unusual or radical hairstyles (such as extreme undercuts).
- Hair should not be longer than top of shirt collar or hang in the eyes.
- No ponytails.
- No hair accessories, pins, or hair ties are allowed.
- No facial hair is allowed.

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**Jewelry**

- Modest jewelry is allowed.
- An object that has a purpose other than jewelry cannot be worn as jewelry (i.e., chains or collars).
- No more than three necklaces may be worn at one time and must not be outside the shirt.
- Three bracelets per wrist.
- Three rings per hand.
- Earrings will not be worn.

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**Tattoos and Body Piercing**

- Tattoos must be covered at all times.
- No intentionally created marks should be visible on the skin.
- No pierced jewelry may be worn.
- No body art, including drawing or writing on skin made by the student with a writing utensil.

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**Pants**

- No jeans, denim, or leather of any type or color. No faux blue jeans.**
- Pants must fit the waistline and not sag in the crotch.
- The cuff of the pants may not touch the ground, but must touch the top of the shoe.
- No oversized pants. Pants may not be so large that the shoelaces cannot be seen.
- Pants may not be excessively tight or show any descriptive lines of the body (not skin-tight).
- Sweatpants, warm-ups, pajama pants, and jersey (t-shirt) fabric pants are not allowed.
- May be one solid color, striped, plaid, (e.g. no camouflage) without screen printing or faded areas.
- Pants must be in good repair.

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**Shorts**

- No jeans, denim, or leather of any type or color.**
- Shorts must fit the waistline and not sag in the crotch.
- The cuff of the shorts must be at maximum 2 inches from the top of the kneecap.
- Spandex or tightly fitting shorts are not allowed.
- No athletic shorts.
- May be one solid color, striped, or plaid, (e.g. no camouflage) without screen printing.

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**Shirts**

- Shirts must have collars and be buttoned to the mid-sternum. No undershirt designs may be visible.
- Sweaters must have a collar or be worn over a collared shirt or under a blazer.
- All shirt collars are to be folded down.
- No shirts that are excessively tight or baggy; no holes or tears.

- Shirts must have sleeves.
- For shirts not tucked in, the tails may not hang below the crotch. Longer shirts must be tucked in.

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<b>Shirts, cont.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Patterned shirts are allowed; shirts with screen printing are not allowed.</li><li>•Any logos or sewn words must be on the front in the upper corner near the shoulder. No large logos across the chest are allowed.</li><li>• Hooded clothing of any kind is not allowed.</li></ul>
<b>Outerwear</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Outerwear (i.e., coats, jackets, hoodies, hats, scarves, or gloves) shall be removed when entering the building.</li><li>•Vanguard letterman jackets may be worn in the building as well as Vanguard spirit wear that has a collar and is quarter-zip (not to include windbreaker-type jackets).</li><li>• Fleece collared outerwear that has a quarter-zip may also be worn.</li></ul>
<b>Undergarments</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•No undergarments may show at any time, nor should they be worn as outer garments.</li></ul>
<b>Hats and Sunglasses</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•May only be worn outside of the building.</li><li>•Sunglasses may not be worn on the head.</li><li>•Hats include visors and bandannas.</li></ul>
<b>Shoes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Required at all times.</li><li>•Athletic sandals with a heel strap (such as Chacos) may be worn</li><li>•No slippers, flip flops, slides, Croc-style or Birkenstock-style sandals</li><li>•No writing on shoes.</li><li>•Shoelaces must match.</li></ul>
<b>Cross-dressing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Clothing and jewelry must be gender appropriate.</li></ul>
<b>Physical Education</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Separate attire should be used for P.E., including athletic shoes and socks. (See P.E. syllabus)</li></ul>
<b>Vanguard Sportswear</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Vanguard sportswear (team windbreakers, sweatshirts, etc.) may be worn at specific times with prior approval from the principal.</li></ul>

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**A Student not adhering to dress code will not be allowed to attend class until he is wearing proper attire.**

**The final decision as to the safety or suitability of any dress code issue will be left up to the principal or designee.**