## LAKEWOOD CITY SCHOOLS DRESS CODE

The objective of this dress code is to promote a positive educational environment, foster respect for all people, and strengthen school spirit and pride, while allowing students to dress comfortably, respecting diverse viewpoints, and within limits to facilitate safety, security, and learning. Students and parents/guardians are equally responsible for proper dress and appearance at school that positively reflects the Lakewood City Schools. There is appropriate and inappropriate attire for all of life's activities. Keeping these ideas in mind, the following dress code requirements will be enforced during school hours:

## STUDENT IDS

- Safety and security require that IDs are part of the student dress code. Student IDs must be worn and visible at all times.
- Students are not permitted to conceal their identity under any circumstances. Violations will be dealt with in a serious manner.

## **GENERAL GUIDELINES**

- All clothing must be of appropriate size and fit neatly.
  - 1. Clothing that exposes undergarments/underwear are not permitted.
  - 2. Students' clothing/attire cannot overexpose the students' back, chest, and/or stomach while sitting or standing. Shirts must be able to be tucked in.
  - 3. Tight fitting bottoms (yoga pants, leggings, jeggings, etc.) may be worn so long as the garment worn on top covers the buttocks.
  - 4. All garment bottoms are to be worn at one's true waist and must be mid-thigh or longer.
  - 5. Pajamas are not allowed.
  - 6. Sleeveless tops are permissible with straps that are a minimum of 2 inches.
- Clothing that contains holes, shreds or is in disrepair is not permitted.
- Shoes, sandals, or boots must be worn.
- No hats, head coverings or hoods may be worn inside the building unless the head covering is worn for religious purposes.
- Heavy outerwear or long coats may not be worn inside the building.
- Sunglasses may not be worn inside the building.
- Any article of apparel, clothing, accessory, tattoo or hair that promotes gangs, subversive groups, drugs, alcohol, tobacco, sex, violence, criminal activity, or is offensive or degrading is not permitted.
- Any article of apparel, clothing, and/or accessory that presents a hazard to the individual or to other people is not permitted.
- Anything that may cause a distraction to the educational process or is deemed inappropriate by administration is not permitted.

Final decision as to acceptability of student attire rests with the school administration.

We acknowledge there are specialized programs within the district and those programs may require attire outside of the designated dress code. All exceptions must be approved by school administration.

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