



## **DRESS CODE REVISED**

### **2023-24 City of St. Charles School District High School Dress Code**

(From the City of St. Charles School District Board Policy JFCA) The Board of Education recognizes the value of allowing individual student expression as well as the necessity of protecting student health and safety and maintaining an atmosphere conducive to education. Student dress code procedures must be designed with the goal of balancing these competing interests.

All dress code procedures will adhere to health and safety codes and comply with applicable law. Dress that materially disrupts the educational environment will be prohibited. No procedure will impose dress and grooming rules based on gender in violation of Title IX. District procedures will specifically define ambiguous terms, and examples will be provided when applicable.

#### **During regular school hours, students must follow the designated Dress Code:**

- Hats or head coverings will be allowed but must be removed if asked by the teacher for the following reasons:
  - During any assessment, quiz, or test
  - If the hat or head covering is inappropriate for the school environment (advertises drugs/alcohol, inhibits the view of other students, etc.)
  - Anything that potentially hides or conceals the students identity (ex. hood over face, sunglasses)
  - Medical or Religious exemptions will not apply to these restrictions
- No clothing or jewelry that promotes drug or alcohol usage.
- No clothing or jewelry with sexually explicit or sexually implied meaning
- No clothing that does not sufficiently cover the body such as sagging pants, backless or halter tops (spaghetti straps allowed, as long as undergarments are worn and straps go over both shoulders)
- No oversized coats or jackets.
- No blankets.
- All students must wear shoes, boots, or other types of footwear.
- Additional dress regulations may be imposed upon students participating in certain extra-curricular activities.
- Class activities which present a concern for student safety may require the student to adjust his/her hair and/or clothing during the class period in the interest of maintaining safety standards.

#### **Dress Code Violation Consequences**

- If the student is not properly dressed, parents will be called and the dress will be corrected before the student may return to class.
- If the student and parent refuse to correct a dress code violation, the student will be sent home for the day and the absence will be unexcused.
- If a dress code problem persists, an Out-of-School Suspension will result at the discretion of a principal.