

## LANCASTER SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD POLICY – DRESS CODE

**STUDENT DRESS AND GROOMING** While the primary responsibility for student dress and grooming belongs to parents/guardians and students, the District believes that student dress and grooming should not disrupt the learning process, interrupt a favorable learning atmosphere or present a danger to students' health and safety. The following shall apply to all students all District students while attending school and other functions:

1. Dress and grooming should be neat, clean, give a respectable appearance, and be appropriate for school activities and for the season and climate. Clothing should be modest in length, properly buttoned or fastened, and loose enough to avoid causing embarrassment. Inappropriate clothing including short shorts, low cut tops, see through or strapless blouses, clothing that exposes the midriff, cleavage or buttocks will not be allowed. No chains or other articles that can be construed as threatening, dangerous, or intimidating accessories will be worn outside clothing or on other areas of the person.
2. Inappropriate clothing includes any apparel with indecent or obscene messages, print, signs, or logos; and any apparel that advertises alcoholic beverages, tobacco products, or illegal substances.
3. Uniforms issued by the school to students participating in an extra-curricular or co-curricular program are to be worn only in those activities for which those uniforms were designed, or by special permission on special occasions.
4. Hair should be kept clean and at an appropriate length, for health and safety reasons.
5. Shoes or boots that mark or scar floors are inappropriate.

Note: State law requires footwear in public buildings.