

North Canton City Schools - Grades 6-12

Student Dress Code (Complies with ORC 3313.665)

Students shall comply dress with the following dress code that reflects the standards of our school and community. The following restrictions are in effect as governed by the interest of safety, cleanliness, neatness, and appropriateness; however, due to the fact that styles and fads change, it is impossible to anticipate and list all areas where a decision of acceptability must be made.

What may be appropriate at home or elsewhere may not be appropriate at school. The determination about whether an item or style is objectionable under the school dress code is left to the judgment of the administration.

ALL CLOTHING MUST BE CLEAN, HEMMED, NOT DRAGGING, NEAT, NOT TATTERED or WITH HOLES or IN NEED OF REPAIR, and OF PROPER FIT.

The following are NOT acceptable:

- a. clothing exhibiting words, logos, symbols, trademarks, or other references to alcohol, drugs, sex, violence, profanity, cults, satanism, or death;
- b. EXTREME hairstyles and/or hair color;
- c. beards. Males must be clean-shaven. Neatly trimmed moustaches are permitted.
- d. sideburns below the bottom of the earlobe;
- e. attire which creates undue distraction, including but not limited to: tank tops, spaghetti straps, revealing necklines, bare midriffs, backless attire. The torso and/or undergarments should not be exposed at any time.
- f. hazardous apparel. Chains attached to wallets or any other potentially dangerous apparel is not permitted.
- g. Shoeless, slippers, sandals that have only a piece of material between the large and adjacent toe.
- h. shorts, skirts, dresses that are shorter than mid-thigh, (slits in skirts/dresses must not end higher than mid-thigh), revealing boxer shorts, cut-offs, athletic shorts. Students who violate the "shorts" policy will lose the privilege of wearing shorts to school
- i. tear-away pants, sleepwear, (e.g. pajama bottoms), cotton fleece sweat pants;
- j. sagging of shorts or trousers below the waistline;
- k. outdoor apparel, including but not limited to sunglasses, coats, jackets, outside vests, gloves, mittens, hats. These should not be worn or carried to class. Students MAY bring a light sweater or sweatshirt to place in their lockers should they get cold.
- l. headwear, headscarves, bandannas, sweatbands, visors, and hats for females and males. These should not be worn or carried to class.
- m. spandex clothing;
- n. clothing styles, devices, paraphernalia, or body piercing (excluding ears) that makes a statement inappropriate for a school setting.