

## **Dress Code Guidelines Middle and Upper Schools**

Students' dress should be **neat, clean, properly fitted** and not disrupt the educational process. Below are specific guidelines for appropriate school day apparel. When in question of any of the stated guidelines, please consult with your direct Head of School.

- Shorts, dresses, and skirts must be below fingertip length all the way around. Leggings are not permitted unless worn under a dress or skirt.
- CA or college/university branded t-shirts, hoodies, or sweatshirts are encouraged. Shirts should be free of graphics containing political content, sexual innuendo, or inappropriate messaging of any kind.
- Students may wear sleeveless shirts provided the garment has two-inch (or greater) straps and covers the front, side, and back completely.
- Shirts must completely cover the midriff at all times. No crop tops. If a shirt is at the midriff, students should wear a tank under the shirt. Low cut or off the shoulder clothing is not permitted. Shirts should not be tucked to expose the midriff.
- Distressed clothing is permitted provided that no skin is visible. No holes are permitted where the skin is visible.
- At no time should any undergarment be visible to include bralettes and compression shorts.
- No hats are to be worn in buildings during the school day.
- No durags, hoods, or sunglasses are allowed to be worn during the school day.
- Shoes must be worn, at all times, and be appropriate for the events and activities of the day.
- **Middle School Students** are required to have tennis shoes daily for PE. Crocs and slides are not permitted during daily PE classes and physical play on the blacktop. If crocs or slides are worn, shoes must be changed prior to physical play.
- House shoes and pajamas, or any clothing that gives the appearance of pajamas or house shoes, may not be worn to school.
- Facial hair should be kept neat, trimmed, clean, and not be a distraction.
- Only piercings in the ear/ears are permitted. No other piercings or place holders are allowed.
- Hair should be clean, styled, and out of students' eyes. While modern hairstyles are acceptable, students' hair should never draw undue attention (ie. hair dyed unnatural colors).

***\*Administration reserves the right to consult with any student on attire that is deemed inappropriate. After an initial warning, or for extreme violations, students will lose privileges and parents are expected to bring a change of clothes or purchase clothing from the school store in order for the student to return to class.***