## STUDENT DRESS CODE

The responsibility for student dress and general appearance rests with individual students and parents. However, the Board of Education requires students to attend school in appropriate dress that meets health and safety standards and does not interfere with the learning process. The Board of Education also requires students to wear appropriate protective gear in certain classes (e.g. home and careers, science and/or technology labs, physical education).

The Board of Education prohibits attire bearing an expression or insignia which is obscene or libelous, or which advocates racial or religious prejudice. In addition, clothing that suggests profanity, is sexually explicit or promotes the use of drugs, alcohol or tobacco will not be permitted.

The superintendent of schools and other administrative personnel shall have the authority to require a student to change his/her attire should it be deemed inappropriate according to the above guidelines.

Each building principal shall be responsible for informing all students and their parents of the student dress code at the beginning of the school year and any revisions to the dress code made during the school year.

Students who violate the student dress code shall be required to modify their appearance by covering or removing the offending item, and if necessary or practical replacing it with an acceptable item. Any student who refuses to do so shall be subject to discipline, up to and including in-school suspension for the day. Any student who repeatedly fails to comply with the dress code shall be subject to further discipline, up to and including out-of-school suspension.