

Livorno Unit School Middle School and High School Dress Code Policy

The following expectations for student dress have been established to promote a safe and optimum learning environment.

Apparel or appearance, which tends to draw attention to an individual rather than to a learning situation, must be avoided. In matters of opinion, the judgement of the principal/designee shall prevail.

The following standards will be observed:

1. **Pants must be worn at the waist. No sagging allowed.**
2. **Shirts, blouses, and dresses must completely cover the abdomen and back. Shirts or tops must cover the waistband of pants, shorts, or skirts with no midriff visible. Spaghetti straps are not allowed and all straps must be at least 1" (inch) in width.**
3. **Head apparel, except for religious or medical purposes, must not be worn inside the school building.**
4. **Footwear is required and must be safe and appropriate for indoor and outdoor activity. Flip-flops and shower-type shoes are examples of inappropriate footwear for school.**
5. **Clothing and accessories such as backpacks, patches, jewelry, and notebooks must not display (1) racial or ethnic slurs/symbols, (2) gang affiliations, (3) vulgar, subversive, or sexually suggestive language or images; nor; should they promote products which students may not legally buy; such as alcohol, tobacco and illegal drugs.**
6. **Skirts, dresses, and shorts must be at least fingertip length**
7. **Prohibited items include (1) large, long and/or heavy chains, (2) studded or chained accessories, (3) sunglasses, except for health purposes, (4) sleepwear, and (5) skin-tight outer materials and translucent or mesh items.**

The school administration reserves the right to determine whether the student's attire is within the limits of decency and modesty. The principal may allow exceptions in special circumstances or occasions such as holidays or special performances and may further prescribe dress in certain classes such as physical education, vocational classes, and science labs.

Any student not attired in accordance with this policy shall be subject to the following consequences:

1. **Correction of the violation or spend the remainder of the day in in-school suspension.**
2. **Repeat offenders shall be subject to additional measures, which include parent conferences, in-school suspensions or out-of-school suspensions.**