

WAHS STUDENT DRESS CODE

In assuring a quality learning environment with regard to good manners, self-respect & respect for others, students are expected to **Wear School Appropriate Clothing**. Students are expected to wear school appropriate attire not only on, but at all school sponsored events and field trips, unless uniforms or other attire is specified by a staff member or coach. **“School Appropriate” attire--Applies to all “layers” of clothing, must be in place immediately upon stepping onto school grounds, and is defined as follows:**

Shirts and blouses must not reveal cleavage or undergarments. No more than three buttons, at the neck, on any shirt, may be unbuttoned. Shirts must not be altered by cutting, tearing, writing on, or have holes. Tank tops, oversized shirts, sleeveless tees, spaghetti straps, low cut shirts that reveal cleavage, and shirts that reveal the midriff are not permitted.

Pants must be worn with the waistband at or above the waist. Underwear must not be visible. Pants must not be torn, have writing, or symbols or have holes. Oversized pants, jumpsuits, pajamas, "dorm pants", and "lounging pants" are not permitted.

Shorts and skirts must be at or near the knee in length. Shorts and skirts must not be altered by cutting, tearing, writing on, or have holes. Skirts must not have slits. Short shorts and mini-skirts are not permitted.

Shoes, sandals, or other appropriate footwear must be worn at all times. Shoe closures and laces must be secured or tied. Bedroom slippers are not permitted.

Coats and jackets with hoods must have the hood removed upon entering any building.

Hats, doo-rags, sunglasses, scarves, and bandanas are not permitted during the instructional school day.

Accessories, including jewelry, must not be distracting to learning. Accessories that can be considered weapons: chains, metal studs, spikes, oversized jewelry, necklaces, watches, and heavy belt buckles are not permitted.

- **Excessively tight clothing is not permitted. Leggings, yoga pants, and tights, are only allowed when worn under a dress code approved clothing item such as shorts, skirts, or dresses.**
- **Clothing and accessories with words or images that depict drug/alcohol/tobacco use or promotion of gang affiliation, violence, sexual innuendo, racism, or racial/sexual degradation is not permitted.**

CONSEQUENCES for offense:

Minor Violations (those that can be fixed easily and quickly: removal of accessories, pants pulled up, etc.)

- ❖ The student will be asked to make the appropriate change/alteration.

Major Violations (those that cannot be fixed easily and quickly, requiring a change of clothing or shoes)

- ❖ The parent/guardian will be called and the student will be kept in ISS to complete all work until parent/guardian can bring appropriate attire.
- ❖ Students who change clothes during the school day to deliberately defy the Dress Code will be subject to disciplinary action.