

Luther School
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DRESS AND GROOMING STANDARDS

Dear Parents:

Schools are responsible for the establishment of an effective learning environment and one in which the safety of all students is ensured. With this in mind, the parents and school staff members of the Luther School Site Council have adopted dress and grooming standards for the students at Luther School. The result of the implementation of these standards will be an improved educational program at Luther in which there are no dress-related distractions to orderly learning and in which decency is observed and student safety is assured.

While at school or at any school-sponsored event, students and guests shall be dressed and groomed in a manner which reflects good taste and decency and does not detract from or interfere with the educational environment, instructional program, general morale, or image of the school. All dress must be modest, neat, clean, and consistent with good taste.

1. Dress, grooming, or accessories are not allowed which:
 - are considered unsafe, dangerous, or a health hazard.
 - contain offensive or obscene symbols; signs; or slogans degrading any cultural, religious, or ethnic values.
 - contain language or symbols oriented toward sex, drugs, alcohol, tobacco, or violence
 - contain gang symbols or clothing which shows gang or gang-type affiliation.
2. Shoes must be worn at all times and must have the laces tied tightly enough so that shoes cannot slip off. No sandals or open-toed shoes are allowed. Shoes must have closed toes with a back or a back strap on them.
3. Clothing must fit and be worn and fastened as it is intended. Pants shall fit in the waist and be worn at the waist and shall be hemmed. Shorts that are too tight, too short, and/or too high on the sides are not acceptable. Shorts, skirts, and dresses should be no shorter than where fingers land on the legs, and T-Shirt lengths should not be below the fingertips.
4. Thin-strapped tops, see-through or sheer tops, and cropped or short tops are not acceptable. Tank tops may have straps no less than two inches in width. All clothing needs to provide proper coverage. Shirts must cover stomachs. **All underclothing must be covered.**
5. Stud-type earrings are acceptable. Large hoops or other dangling earrings and jewelry or items such as wallet chains that create a safety hazard are not allowed.

6. Hats of any kind may not to be brought to school unless by parent request for protection from the sun. Baseball cap brims must be worn facing forward, and hats may only be worn outside.

7. Make-up, cologne, and perfume are not appropriate for school at any time.

Parents will be contacted if their child arrives at school in dress that does not follow the Dress and Grooming Standards, and will be asked to bring appropriate clothing to their child.

The School Site Council believes that responsibility for the proper attire of all students at Luther School rests with the parents/guardians, but it believes that there are certain requirements for dress and grooming which must be observed in a school. The administration and school staff have the responsibility of determining whether clothing and grooming meet appropriate standards. Your cooperation with and support of the Luther School staff in enforcing these dress and grooming standards is appreciated. By working together in a partnership between home and school we will be better able to provide an excellent educational experience for your child.

Sincerely,

Jacki Teschke, Principal

Luther School Dress and Grooming Standards

Please sign the tear off portion of this paper, which indicates that you are aware of the Luther School Dress and Grooming Standards. Return it tomorrow to your child's teacher. Save the dress standards themselves for future reference.

Student's Name

Teacher's Name

Student's Signature

Parent's Signature