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Dress and Grooming Requirements

General school day:

While fashions change, the reason for being in LPA does not. Students are in LPA to learn. Any fashion (dress, accessory, or hairstyle) that disrupts the educational process or presents a safety risk will not be permitted. Personal expression is permitted within these general guidelines.

Students are required to wear the LPA uniform everyday. The uniform guidelines are:

- **Bottoms**: (Khaki or Navy) pants, shorts, jumpers, skorts, skirts (All shorts, skirts, jumpers and skorts must not be any shorter than 1 inch above the knee.
- **Tops:** (White or Navy) collared polo shirt, collared polo button – down shirt or blouse, turtleneck
- **Shoes:** (Black, Blue, White) dress shoes, solid color tennis shoes
  Sandals are never permitted.
  Boots can be worn to and from school. Student must change into other shoes during instructional school day.
- **Belts:** black, brown, blue
- **Sweaters:** (navy, white, black) sweater, fleece, sweatshirt
- **Hoodies:** (pull over or zipper up) are not permitted

Dress Down Day:

While dress down days can be a great break from our more formal uniform dress code, student safety is always at the forefront of our intentions.

- **Tops:** T – shirts without writing, blouses, sweaters
    - Spaghetti straps, tanks, midriff revealing, low cut, too tight, mesh or see thru tops are not permitted.
- **Hoodies:** (pull over or zipper up) are not permitted
- **Pants/Bottoms:** Jeans, shorts, skorts, skirts
    - Short shorts or short skorts are not permitted. Torn jeans and shorts, skorts, and skirts must not be any shorter than 1 inch above the knee.
- **Shoes:** Gym shoes preferred
    - Flip flops, sandals, high heels, and boots are not permitted.

At all times, general day and dress down day, the following styles or manner of dress are NOT PERMITTED:

- Items of clothing that contain profanity, suggestive comments, or obscenities.
- Clothing, which advertises, or advocates drug or alcohol use.
- Wearing of hats (of any kind) in the building
- Bright neon colored accessories (wrist bands, belts, shoelaces, etc.)
- Hair color of an unnatural color
- Clothing must cover all tattoos, body or facial piercing is unacceptable.
- Single post ear – piercing is acceptable
- Dangling earrings – only stud earrings are permitted.

If a student has selected a manner of appearance that is beyond mere freedom of expression and disrupts the educational process or presents risk to themselves or others, they may be removed from the educational setting, and be subject to penalty under the Student Code of Conduct.