There is a definite relationship between good dress habits, good work habits and proper student behavior; therefore, dress and grooming of students are proper concerns of school administrators and teachers. The school district realizes that parents and students share the responsibility for proper student dress and appearance. Any type of dress appearance (i.e. not limited to make up and/or hair color), which attracts undue attention to the student and creates a disturbance in the learning environment is not acceptable.

The school district has established the following guidelines to aid parents and students in selecting proper dress.

All students should use maturity and common sense in choosing their school attire. Cleanliness and overall hygiene should be practiced at all times and hair should be clean, combed and out of eyes.

All students are required to wear shoes, PARACORD BRACELETS are prohibited, wearing earrings in pierced ears is acceptable. If any other part of the body is pierced, no instruments or jewelry may be worn in the exposed body part.

Any type of clothing or accessories that are, in the opinion of the principal, obscene or suggestive is not acceptable. Clothing must be worn properly.

## School Clothes

Tops/Shirts for each school will vary. The colors are listed below:

## Clarkdale - Maroon, Gray or White <br> Northeast - Red, White or Gray <br> Southeast - Red White or Royal Blue <br> West Lauderdale - Red White or Black

## Styles

- Short or long sleeve polo
- Short or long sleeve oxford/blouse
- Sweaters


## NOTES

- Jumpers for elementary students
- Shirts must be worn tucked into the pants (Exceptions may be made based on the principal's discretion)
- Sweaters must be worn over an approved top
- Only pre-approved school logos will be allowed on tops
- Undershirts must be white or the same color as the approved school colors listed above
- School-approved hoodies or school-approved sweatshirts may be worn over a schoolapproved undershirt


## Prohibited

- No brand logos
- No denim
- No sleeveless tops
- No label, insignia, print, writing or monogramming may appear on tops (other than the school insignia or logo)
- No head covering (e.g., caps, hats, hoodies)


## Bottoms for all locations (Clarkdale, Northeast, Southeast and West Lauderdale)

Solid color-khaki or black

## "Docker" style pants

Pleated
Flat front
"Docker" style shorts
Pleated
Flat front

## Skirts/Skorts or Capri pants

Pleated
Flat front

## NOTES

- Pants must be worn with a belt through the belt loops and properly fastened
- Belts must be worn with skirts/skorts or capri pants if belt loops are present on them
- All bottoms must be hemmed
- Pants must fit properly and cannot be more than one size too big
- Skirts/skorts and shorts must meet the fingertip rule (the length must extend to the end of the middle finger when standing and arms are hung straight at the side) and/or be allowable based on the principal's discretion


## Prohibited

- No flair legs
- No spandex, polyester or other tight fitting bottoms
- No warm up suits
- No over-length styles
- No sagging
- No holes, cuts or tears are permitted


## Footwear

NOTES

- All footwear must be properly tied and/or fastened


## Prohibited

- No house shoes
- No slippers
- No Shower shoes
- No 'heelies'


## Jackets

NOTES

- Jackets can be no longer than mid-thigh
- Light weight jackets/sweaters should be in your school colors or solid black, solid gray, or solid khaki
- School letter jackets are allowed
- All jackets and coats should be in your school colors or solid black, solid gray, or solid khaki
- No lettering allowed on outer wear
- The school logos can be no larger than two inches
- ELEMENTARY GRADES: Outer wear will be at the discretion of the principal


## Prohibited

- No Dusters
- No Long coats


## Exceptions to the dress code

Students may wear an approved top that associates that student with an athletic team or activity group on a given day that corresponds with an event associated with a team sport or activity.

Students may wear approved apparel other than the approved dress code on days associated with special school functions or activities designated by the administration. Such designated days should be limited and should not prolong deviation from the LCSD dress code. Fundraising events that alter the LCSD dress code should be limited and approved by the LCSD school board.

## Accessories

All guidelines concerning accessories are covered in this student handbook.
In all instances, the style and manner in which clothing is worn and the way in which clothing fits, will determine the appropriateness or inappropriateness of the dress code.
Students violating the dress code will not be allowed to attend class until appropriately dressed.
NOTE: If a student chooses to wear skirts/skorts or shorts to school, it is the responsibility of the parents/guardians and the students to select and purchase clothing that is appropriate for school. This means that the parents and students should choose the appropriate style and
check the length to ensure that they pass the fingertip rule. If a student wears skirts/skorts or shorts that are shorter than this length, the student will be asked to change clothes.

Students who do not follow the dress code will be disciplined as follows:

- First violation - the student will receive a warning and must adhere to the dress code before returning to class
- Second violation, and all subsequent violations - the student will be put in in-school suspension


## New Students

Upon enrollment during the school year, a student will have 5 school days to comply with the dress code. (Administration may grant additional time due to extenuating circumstances).

