

# GRADES 9-12 DRESS CODE 2023-24 ACADEMIC YEAR

Purpose Statement: In order to maintain a respectful, professional environment, and to reflect one's responsibility as a student, all classes will be held to the following standard of dress:

All students must be in dress code while on campus.

If the following does not explicitly state a student may wear something, then he or she may <u>not</u> (examples include: hats, sunglasses, denim, scarves, bandanas.)

#### General Rules:

- 1. All clothing and adornments must be worn as intended.
- 2. A maximum of 5 pockets are allowed on pants. All clothing must be in good condition, clean, without holes and tears, and must comply with the Pinch an Inch Rule: The pants (on mid-thigh) must be able to be pinched one inch away from the leg and not deform the rest of the pants (for example, the stretching of spandex is considered deforming the pant leg). Tightness will be judged from the waist to the knee.
- 3. Dresses, skirts, skorts, shorts, and jumpers must touch the top of knee at the minimum when standing.
- 4. No logos, pictures, or text on any clothing is allowed (except for uniform Hoplite logos).
- 5. No clothing may be neon colored.
- 6. Denim worn on designated days will be held to the same standard as school pants.
- 7. Hair should be neatly styled, and hair color should be natural, conservative, and not distracting. Ombre hair and highlights are allowed if the colors are natural.
- 8. All jewelry and accessories must be moderate and display no visible writing. No more than two necklaces, or bracelets may be worn at a time. No visible tattoos or drawings on one's self are allowed.
- 9. Students may wear no more than three earrings per ear (earrings must be no larger than a quarter). Gauge and clear piercings are not allowed. One single, small nose stud or ring is permitted (no septum piercings or barbels). No other visible piercings are allowed.
- 10. Makeup must be in neutral colors, conservative, and not distracting.
- 11. Clothing, jewelry, or grooming that is identified as gang related will not be tolerated.
- 12. The school uniform will always be deemed acceptable.
- 13. Jackets, ties, other formal wear, light jackets, and vests are permitted assuming they do not violate the previously stated rules.
- 14. Students are not allowed to wear t-shirts, cap sleeves, or sleeveless shirts.
- 15. No facial hair is permitted. Sideburns may not be lower than the earlobes.
- 16. Appropriate shoes must be worn at all times. Neon-colored shoes, toe shoes, over-the-calf sneakers, lighted shoes, shoes with wheels/rollers, slippers, Crocs or beach shoes are not allowed. Heel height may not exceed 3 inches, as measured from the highest point of the heel. Fishnet or similar stockings are not allowed.
- 17. Ridgeview-affiliated tops (t-shirts, sweatshirts, etc.) may be worn on Fridays with dress code bottoms. Hooded jackets and hoodies are not allowed.

#### Men's High School:

- Belts or suspenders in solid, neutral colors are required.
- Dress slacks, chinos, or shorts must be in non-neon colors or muted patterns (e.g. pinstripes).
- Solid, striped, or patterned shirts are allowed (camouflage, flannel shirts, or Hawaiian patterns are not allowed). Shirts must have collars and must be tucked in at all times. (Exception: Males may wear a non-collared undershirt as the only layer beneath a crew neck sweater. In this case the lowest or only layer MUST be tucked in at all times.)
- Solid, non-neon colored jackets for high school (no hoods or logos) are allowed, but shirts must still be tucked in as required by dress code.

### Women's High School:

- Dresses, skirts, and skorts in a solid color or muted pattern (plaid, floral, pinstripe, dots, etc.) are allowed.
- Dresses, skirts, skorts, shorts, and jumpers must touch the top of knee at the minimum when standing.
- Dress slacks, chinos, capris, or shorts in non-neon colors or patterns are allowed. Skinny pants, colored jeggings and leggings/yoga pants are not allowed.
- Solid, striped, or patterned shirts are allowed. T-shirts, sleeveless shirts, flannel shirts, and capped sleeves are not allowed. Tops may not reveal shoulders, straps, undergarments, midsections, or backs, and may not be excessively tight.
- No front opening tops with zippers, laces, or fasteners other than buttons or snaps allowed. No décolletage may be exposed (4 closed fingers below the collarbone). Shirts may not be see-through.
- Solid, non-neon colored jackets for high school (no hoods or logos) are allowed.

## All final decisions regarding dress code and dress code compliance will reside with the Headmasters.

Violators of the dress code will not be allowed to attend class unless they are able to return in dress code.