

MINIMUM STANDARDS OF DRESS FOR THE ASHLAND CITY SCHOOL STUDENTS GRADES 9-12

The effectiveness of the minimum standards of dress can only be achieved through joint cooperation from students, faculty, and parents. Dress and personal appearance shall be neat and clean. A student's dress or appearance that is disruptive to education, distracting from education or dangerous to the health or safety of students and other members of the school community, is not permitted. An instructor has the discretion to reasonably alter the stated dress code standards to meet his/her particular situation for a student participating in extracurricular activities, enrolled in a lab class, or participating in a cooperative program. This policy can be enforced for all students in attendance at any school-sponsored event. Building administrators will be the final arbiters of appropriate student dress and grooming.

The following dress guidelines have been established with the input of certified staff, administration, parents, and students.

The following dress is not permitted at Ashland High School:

- Clothing that is excessively baggy, excessively tight, or sagging. This includes outdoor coats.
- Yoga Pants & Leggings without a fingertip length covering.
- Clothing that does not cover undergarments.
- Clothing that exposes skin from the armpits to the fingertips. This includes the front and back of the person. Exposed armpit hair is not permitted.
- Sleeveless shirts and sundresses with straps less than 3 fingers in width.
- Bare feet or low-friction footwear.
- Clothing and tattoos that promote or illustrate tobacco, alcohol, drugs, violence or sex.
- Clothing and tattoos depicting immoral, indecent, or racist themes.
- Pajama pants and sleep wear.
- Hats or head wear that interfere with a student's ability to be identified in person or on camera. Each teacher has the authority to adjust the headwear expectation in their classroom.
- Body piercings that are disruptive, distracting, or dangerous.
- Administration reserves the right to address other **Disruptive, Distracting** or **Dangerous** dress issues that may not have been directly mentioned nor described.

Any changes or revisions may be presented to the Dress Code Evaluation Committee. The dress code policy may be subject to a bi-annual review. Revised 16/17