

## **MAUMEE CITY SCHOOLS STUDENT DRESS POLICY**

Student dress for school is a matter that is perhaps most appropriately decided by the students and parents. In general, the District's policy is that students are not allowed to dress in a manner that would detract from the educational process. Accordingly the District has adopted the following dress code for all students, and all students are expected to comply with the dress code. The purposes of the dress code are as follows: to enhance school safety, support the learning environment, promote good behavior, avoid discipline problems and prepare students for the world of work. Any student who is questionably attired will be referred to the administration and parents may be contacted if necessary. Often, the student will be requested to change into clothing more suitable for school.

### **GENERAL GUIDELINES**

- Tops and bottoms must overlap at all times, including when arms are raised overhead and when seated.
- Shirts and dresses for female students must have a collar, sleeves or both. Shirts for male students must have both a collar and sleeves. Collars may be of the rib neck variety. These would include collars on T-shirts and crew neck sweatshirts.
- Dresses, skirts and shorts must be no more than three (3) inches above the kneecap.
- Footwear must be worn at all times. For safety considerations, all footwear must be adequately secured to the foot with spiked heels no higher than two (2) inches.
- Students must dress appropriately to meet safety requirements in labs, physical education courses and industrial technology courses. The requirements will be discussed in class by the instructor.

### **Clothing or appearance that is NOT permitted includes the following:-**

- Clothing or accessories that promote drugs, alcohol or tobacco. Also, clothing that has obscenities, profane language, sexual innuendoes, degrading wording or display symbols of hate or oppression.
- Hooded sweatshirts, jackets, tops.
- Thong sandals (flip flops), beach or shower wear, slippers, shoes with retractable skates or other footwear with flexible, soft soles.
- Head coverings of all types are prohibited indoors from the beginning until the end of the school day. (Head coverings include but are not limited to: hats, bandanas, do-rags and sweat bands). Students violating this rule will receive three demerits; they also will have the head covering confiscated by the teacher/administrator and returned

at the end of the day. The second and subsequent offenses will result in the student receiving three demerits and the head covering being returned at the end of the school year or must be picked up by a parent.

- Clothing that brings undue attention, prompting disruption to the learning environment (examples: low-cut, plunging or revealing necklines, visible underwear, etc.).
- Winter (external) coats, zip up jackets, vests, pullover winter coats and gloves may not be worn in the building from the beginning until the end of the school day.
- Clothing that is torn, distressed or has shreds, rips or holes in it.
- Pajamas or lounge pants.
- Clothing or appearance that may be associated with or promote gang activity.