

Dress and Grooming

Students are expected to dress appropriately at all times. Any fashion (dress, accessory, or hairstyle) that disrupts the educational process or presents a safety risk will not be permitted.

Students should consider the following questions when dressing for school:

Does my clothing expose too much? (No)

Does my clothing advertise something that is prohibited to minors? (No)

Are there obscene, profane, drug-related, gang-related, or inflammatory messages on my clothing? (No)

Am I dressed appropriately for the weather? (Yes)

Do I feel comfortable with my appearance? (Yes)

It is the policy of the Chardon Board of Education to recognize the rights and privileges of each student in the matters of dress and appearance to the extent that the exercise of that right does not interfere with the orderly process of education.

Student dress and grooming that, in the sole discretion of the administrator, is unsafe for the student or those around the student; substantially impairs the work of the school; is disruptive of school operations and the educational process; and/or is provocative, suggestive or obscene is prohibited. Administrative standards will be substituted for parental freedom of choice and responsibility when the manner of dress becomes disruptive to the educational process at the sole discretion of the administrator.

Specific Requirements

- a. Clothing should be appropriate for school and in good repair. Undergarments shall not be seen at any time.
- b. No footwear which damages school floors may be worn.
- c. No article of clothing may be worn which displays ads or promotions for alcoholic beverages, tobacco, or any other drug, or which advocates violence or use of force against any institution, individual, racial, ethnic, or cultural group, or displays inappropriate or offensive language.
- d. Bare midriffs, bare backs, bare chests, cut-off sleeveless shirts, spaghetti straps, strapless blouses, transparent shirts or blouses may not be worn as a sole garment. are not permitted.
- e. Hats/ Hoods are not permitted to be worn in the building and may be confiscated.
- f. Shorts are allowed but must be appropriate and in good taste. Spandex is not allowed, nor are short shorts.

Administrative discretion applies to all areas specified and unspecified.

Students found to be in violation of the dress code will not be permitted to return to class until they correct their dress.

Students who are representing Chardon Local Schools at an official function or public event may be required to follow specific dress requirements. Usually, this applies to athletic teams, cheerleaders, bands, and other such groups.