## Lexington High School

## 2016-2017 DRESS CODE

Studies indicate that there is a strong relationship between good dress habits, good work habits, appropriate school behavior and good grades. Any type of attire which attracts undue attention to the wearer, and thus causes a disruption/distraction in school is not acceptable. The following is a list of proper dress attire expectations:

- 1. Tight fitting or excessively short shorts, skirts, or slacks are not permitted. This includes yoga pants, tights, or leggings.
- 2. Dresses/Skirts/Shorts **must be at least finger-length with arms placed down to your side**; including dresses, skirts, shirts and sweaters worn over leggings, tights, or yoga pants.
- 3. Clothing should be so constructed and worn in a manner that is not unduly revealing. Tops that may **not** be worn are: tank tops, muscle shirts, tube tops, halter tops, backless shirts, tops with spaghetti straps, sheer or fishnet shirts, fishnet stockings, and cut-offs or other tops which show midriff. All shirts must have a sleeve. Navels, cleavage, hipbones, or underclothing should never be visible.
- 4. Clothing with holes, that are torn, or soiled are *not* permitted.
- 5. Clothing with offensive illustrations, slogans or commercial messages advertising drugs, alcohol and/or tobacco products is prohibited.
- 6. Language on clothing which is insulting, abusive, threatening or harassing based upon issues such as sexual orientation, gender, ethnicity, background, religious beliefs or disabilities is prohibited.
- 7. Proper footwear must be worn at all times in the school buildings (no bare feet).
- 8. Sunglasses are not to be worn in the building.
- 9. Hats, hoods, headbands, and pajama pants are not to be worn in school.
- 10. Coats/Jackets are not to be worn during school hours. Warm-up apparel is appropriate.
- 11. Chains, spiked collars, spiked belts, or spiked wrist wear are prohibited.

Students who do not comply with the dress code will be asked to correct the infraction. *Any time taken from school to correct infractions will be unexcused.* Daily, during 1<sup>st</sup> period, teachers will determine whether students are adhering to the dress code.

The following disciplinary actions will be taken for a dress code violation:

- 1<sup>st</sup> violation: The student will be assigned **one 45-minute detention** and is expected to change into appropriate clothing.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> violation: The student will be assigned **one Friday School** and is expected to change into appropriate clothing.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> violation: The student will be assigned **3 Friday Schools** and is expected to change into appropriate clothing.
- 4<sup>th</sup> violation: The student will be assigned at least 1 day out-of-school suspension up to the discretion of the administration.

<sup>\*</sup>Judgement of the administration in matters of dress and appearance is final.