

## *The Lowell School*

### **Dress Code**

In order to facilitate an appropriate learning environment, The Lowell School has established a Dress Code. Students and their parents have the primary responsibility for acceptable dress and appearance. In addition, The Lowell School staff will exemplify and reinforce acceptable student dress and help students develop an understanding of appropriate appearance in school.

According to The Lowell School Dress Code, student:

- are expected to give proper attention to personal cleanliness and to dress appropriately for school and school functions
- recognize that their manner of dress, choice of accessories, grooming, and appearance must be considered safe and in accordance of health requirements
- recognize that brief, see-through, or generally revealing garments are unacceptable and prohibited
- ensure that underwear is completely covered with outer clothing
- wear appropriate footwear at all times in relation to safety and health concerns
- will only wear apparel that follows the guidelines of The Lowell School Code of Conduct and Anti Bullying Policies. Therefore, the following is prohibited:
  - items that are vulgar, obscene, libelous or intentionally derogatory to others on account of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, gender, sexual orientation or disability
  - items that promote and/or endorse the use of alcohol, tobacco, illegal drugs or weapons and/or encourage other illegal or violent activities
- will not wear hats, hoods, bandanas, head coverings (except for medical or religious reasons) in the school building
- will not wear anything that may be construed as gang related paraphernalia.
- will not wear coats/jackets in the building

Students who violate the student dress code will be required to modify their appearance immediately by covering or removing the offending item, and if necessary or practical, replacing it with an acceptable item. Parents will be notified by counselors for the first infraction of the student Dress Code. Any student who refuses, without good cause, to modify his/her dress shall be subject to disciplinary consequences as determined by the administration of The Lowell School. A second violation of the Dress Code will necessitate a conference with the student, parent, and administration.