## **CMMS Dress Code Policy**

Appropriate dress is necessary in order to maintain an atmosphere which is conductive to learning and safety. WCPSS Board Policy 6410 applies as follows:

Students are expected to adhere to standards of dress and appearance that are compatible with an effective learning environment. Presenting a bodily appearance or wearing clothing which is disruptive, provocative, revealing, profane, vulgar, offensive or obscene, or which endangers the health and safety of the student or others is prohibited. Examples of prohibited dress or appearance include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Flip flops/rainbows/shower shoes/slides/ bedroom slippers (Federal OSHA requirements state all shoes must have a strap on the back and it must be worn).
- · Wearing head coverings on campus.
- Exposed undergarments.
- Sagging pants. Pants should be worn at the natural waist line and/or belted.
- Clothing with offensive/inappropriate messages or dangerous clothing (spikes, sharp edges, etc.).
- Straps that are too narrow (must be at least 2 inches wide over each shoulder).
- Strapless shirts.
- Attire with messages or illustrations that are lewd, indecent or vulgar or that advertise any product or service not permitted by the law to minors.
- See-through clothing; attire that exposes cleavage.
- Any adornments such as chains or spikes that reasonably could be perceived as or used as a weapon.

- Any symbols, styles or attire frequently associated with intimidation, gang activity or violence about which students at the school have been notified.
- Bare midriff shirts (area around stomach and lower torso should be covered completely. No stomach area or lower back area should be exposed).
- Skirts/shorts/dresses too short (should be past finger tip length when arms are held down by the sides of the legs).
- Leggings can only be worn with skirts and shorts over leggings not by themselves. Skirts and shorts must still be longer than finger tip length.
- No pajamas.

**First Violation:** Student will be required to change his or her dress or appearance *AND* parents/guardians will be notified;

**Second/Repeated Violations:** further disciplinary action(s) including, but not limited to: Lunch Detention(s), removal from school extracurricular activities (*performances, athletics, recycling, clubs, etc.*), ALC, and/or OSS.

Students and parents should be advised that teachers and administrators will exercise appropriate discretion in implementing this policy, including making reasonable accommodations on the basis of students' religious beliefs or medical conditions and adding additional examples if necessary to clarify our policy. The complete WCPSS Dress Code Policy can be found at

http://www.wcpss.net/policy-files/series/policies/6410-bp.html.