

Dress Code and Standard Student Attire

Dress code enforced

All students are expected to wear proper attire to school in order to foster an environment that promotes learning. The CCSD dress code:

- Requires the wearing of shoes with soles.
- Prohibits crop tops (no skin showing between bottom of shirt/blouse and top of pants/skirts); strapless, low-cut clothing; clothing with slits; or tops and outfits that provide minimum coverage.
- Prohibits spaghetti straps. All sleeveless shirts must have straps at least three inches wide and that cover the shoulder.
- Requires that all shorts, skirts and dresses be fingertip length. Shorts must be hemmed and without fraying.
- Prohibits the wearing of headgear on campus, except for designated school-approved uniforms or at authorized athletic practices or activities.
- Prohibits slogans or advertising on clothing that by their controversial or obscene nature disrupts the educational setting. Clothing with spikes or studs is also prohibited.
- Requires coats, mittens and scarves to be removed upon entering the classroom.

The school administration has the right to designate which types of dress or appearance disrupt or detract from the educational program and may be a potential safety hazard.

Standard Student Attire

Under CCSD Regulation 5131, principals may establish a policy that requires students to wear Standard Student Attire (SSA) for the purpose of increasing student achievement, promoting safety, and enhancing a positive school climate. A school that chooses to implement an SSA policy must conduct a survey of families every fourth year. At least 55 percent of the surveys returned from families that make up the population of the student body must agree to implement the SSA policy.

The principal and the site-based committee must determine SSA requirements from the approved list, outlined in CCSD Regulation 5131. Stricter SSA requirements than those delineated in 5131 may be implemented through the survey process set forth in the regulation. Basic colors of khaki, navy, and white are required at all SSA schools. Optional colors may be added through the survey process.

At schools implementing a mandatory SSA policy, parents may apply for an exemption based upon a bona fide religious objection or verified medical condition by filling out an Application for Exemption. Parents of students who do not desire to attend an SSA school may also request a zone variance under the provisions of Regulation 5112. However, zone variances will be granted based on space availability, and parents must provide transportation for their student. At schools implementing a voluntary SSA policy, parents may exercise a non-participation option by submitting a written, signed Application for Exemption, and discussing the option with the principal or designee.