



**Barriere Secondary School Student Dress Code
(in keeping with SD73 Policy 612.1)**

Students are expected to adhere to standards of cleanliness and dress that are compatible with the academic, athletic and social environment of a school. When in the judgement of administration, a student's appearance disrupts the educational environment or constitutes a threat to health or safety the student will be required to make modifications. Students are encouraged to dress with purpose and propriety, in keeping with a professional working/learning environment.

1. Clothing that has inappropriate slogans or promotes the use of products that are illegal in the school setting (tobacco, alcohol or drugs) may not be worn (this includes socks or any garment that is visible).
2. Clothing which features phrases/pictures of a sexual nature or phrases/pictures that are derogatory regarding a person's ethnic background, national origin, religious belief, sexual orientation/identification or disability may not be worn.
3. No clothing may be worn that depicts or has insignias which feature a group or philosophy, which advocates violence or disruption.
4. Footwear must be worn at all times in the school.
5. Headwear/hats must not distract or disrupt the learning environment at school. In the hallway, headwear/hats that **do not** conceal the identity of the wearer are normally permissible. Headwear must not interfere with proper use/wearing of Personal Protective Equipment as required in certain learning environments. Hoodies may not be worn in public school spaces (eg. hallways, library, gymnasium, cafeteria). Headwear in classroom/instructional settings is permitted at the discretion of the classroom teacher.
6. All shirts, of any style, worn must touch the top of the pants in a normal standing position (no showing of midriff). Clothing that is in disrepair that is revealing may not worn. Clothing may not be see-through.
7. Sleeveless shirts, if they meet minimum coverage requirements, are acceptable. Low-cut side seams and spaghetti straps are not acceptable.
8. Shorts/skirts must not be too short or revealing. The "rule of thumb" for shorts is to be at least as long as where the end of your thumb sits against your leg held at arm's length. Skirts should hang to at least mid-thigh (which is longer than the short rule).
9. Clothing must not be too low-cut or revealing. Undergarments must not be visible.

Any clothing that is deemed too revealing or distracting to the learning environment will be referred to administration and the student may be required to change.

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