DISTRICT 150 HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT DRESS CODE

District 150 finds that student dress and personal appearance is important for success in both school and in the workplace. Student dress and grooming must meet reasonable safety, health and decency standards so that students can be focused on academics and safe while in school. The following information is intended to serve as a guide for acceptable dress for all District 150 high school students.

DRESS CODE EXPECTATIONS, EXAMPLES OF ACCEPTABLE DRESS:

• HAIR
  o should be clean
  o may be tied back with headbands made for use in hair
  o may be tied back with hair ties, or barrettes.

• PANTS
  o May be denim, khakis, sweat pants or athletic pants without writing across the behind.
  o Must be fitted or worn at the waist

• SHORTS
  o May be denim, khakis, athletic material without writing across the behind.
  o Must be fitted or worn at the waist
  o May be worn as long as they are no shorter than 2 inches from the top of the knee.

• SKIRTS AND DRESSES
  o May be worn as long as they are no shorter than 2 inches from the top of the knee.

• SHIRTS/TOPS
  o T-shirts, polo shirts, button down shirts, blouses, sweaters, sweatshirts, and turtlenecks.
  o Blouses and shirts with no sleeves as long as the edges are properly finished with a hem and do not display shoulders or bare sides.

• JEWELRY
  o Earrings, necklaces, rings, bracelets are appropriate if they do not pose a safety hazard, subject to restrictions listed below.

• SHOES
  o Tennis or athletic shoes, loafers, crocs, sandals with a heel, backing or ankle support, boots, hiking shoes, and dress shoes are acceptable.

EXAMPLES OF UNACCEPTABLE DRESS

• ANY ITEM WORN ON THE BODY, INCLUDING A TATTOO that contains a lewd, offensive, obscene, racist, sexist, or rude slogan or saying.
• ANY ITEM WORN ON THE BODY, INCLUDING A TATTOO that promotes or denotes alcohol or drug use or gang membership.
• UNDERWEAR may not be seen, either through, above, or around the clothing.
• PAJAMAS OR LOUNGE PANTS are not to be worn to school.

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• HAIR
  o Hairnets, skull caps, bandanas, hair rollers, scarves, and “do rags,” are not allowed
  o Hats, and hoods cannot be worn in the building
  o Picks, hair pins/sticks and combs (for combing your hair) cannot be worn as they are a safety hazard
• PANTS
  o Pants may not sag; they must be fitted at the waist or slightly below the waist so that they do not fall down
  o Pants may not be so thin or worn in such a way that your underwear may be seen either through the pants or above the waistline of the pants
  o May not display words across the behind
• SHORTS
  o May not be shorter than two inches from the top of the knee
  o May not be see through or sheer
  o Must be fitted at the waist or slightly below so that they do not fall down or sag
  o May not display words across the behind
• SKIRTS/DRESSES
  o May not be see through or sheer
  o May not be shorter than two inches from the top of the knee
• SHIRTS/TOPS
  o May not show cleavage
  o May not ride up so as to show midriffs, stomach, waist, back, and hips. A shirt must be able to be tucked in and stay tucked in or it is too short.
  o May not display shoulders (tank tops, strapless shirts, spaghetti straps, tube and halter tops are not allowed.)
  o T-shirts or polo shirts with cut off sleeves are not allowed
  o See through or sheer shirts are not allowed
  o Backless shirts are not allowed
• JEWELRY
  o Chains may not be worn (plastic, steel, wallet, bike, etc). For example, a chain from the wallet to the belt loop or a chain (not a necklace) that is worn around the neck is prohibited.
  o Under no circumstances will pendants, pins, or jewelry that denotes gang membership or promotes drug and alcohol use be allowed in school.
• SHOES
  o Thong sandals or flip flops are not allowed.
  o Shoes with spikes, chains or metal are prohibited
  o Stiletto heels are not allowed.
  o High heeled shoes that pose a safety hazard due to their height are not permitted.

CONSEQUENCES FOR DRESS CODE VIOLATIONS:

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1st Offense: The student will be asked to remove the offending item, if possible, and warned that future violations will result in further disciplinary action. The parent of the student will be called and informed of the violation. If the student cannot remove the offending item, District 150 will provide a cover up and/or give the parent an opportunity to bring proper clothing to school. The student will have the opportunity to talk to a dean or counselor confidentially about why they are unable to comply with the dress code.

2nd Offense: Administrative Detention, accumulation of demerits, call home to parents.

3rd Offense: Depending on the seriousness of the offense, the punishment will range from Administrative Detention, Saturday Detention or possible suspension, either in school or out of school. Additionally, the parents will be called and told to take the student home to change clothing and return. Attendance at a dress for success workshop may be required.

4th Offense: The student will be prohibited from attending school unless a school uniform of khaki pants and a white polo shirt is worn for the remainder of the grading period. The student returning to school at the start of the next quarter after a 4th offense dress code violation will be subject to a 4th offense penalty for any new dress code violations for the entirety of the school year.

I HAVE READ AND FULLY UNDERSTAND PEORIA PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT 150’S DRESS CODE.

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STUDENT                                 PARENT/GUARDIAN

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DATE                                   DATE

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