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**DRESS CODE**

The dress code at Lutheran North emphasizes cleanliness, neatness, and modesty in dress. It is worded in such a way that it mainly states what a student CAN wear. Students should then CHOOSE to wear something that fits 100% within the guidelines listed. Students who do not comply run the risk of a dress code violation and school discipline that could result in detentions or grade deductions due to unexcused time out of class.

**THE SCHOOL DRESS CODE IS IN EFFECT WHILE THE STUDENT IS ON CAMPUS.** This includes both before the actual school day begins and after the school day ends. It is expected that the student be fully in dress code as soon as he/she enters North's property and remains in dress code until he/she leaves the property for the day.

Modesty is important and should be followed closely by all students attending Lutheran High North. Outfits that are too tight and / or too revealing are not to be worn. The latest fashion or fad may not fit the dress code. Any male or female clothing that gives a sloppy appearance is inappropriate. Anything that could be interpreted by the school staff as being in "poor taste" will not be allowed.

Some exceptions are made for co-curricular activities but must remain within the parameters of cleanliness, neatness, and modesty in dress.

**DRESS CODE GUIDELINES FOR BOYS:**

1. Male students may wear **dress slacks, cotton casual slacks, or corduroys**. Dress slacks do NOT include leather, vinyl, nylon, or denim (of any color). **PANTS ARE TO BE WORN AT THE WAIST AT ALL TIMES AND ARE TO FIT PROPERLY**. They are not to be too tight or too long. Clothes that have rips, frays, holes, etc. are not to be worn.
2. Male students may wear straight hemmed **dress shorts**. Dress shorts do NOT include leather, vinyl, nylon or denim (of any color). Shorts should not have rips, frays, holes, etc. Shorts are to be worn at the waist at all times and are to fit properly. The length of the shorts will be no shorter than 4" from the floor when kneeling.
3. Male students are to wear a belt at all times.
4. Acceptable dress code tops for males include:
  - Collared dress shirts or collared polo shirts.
  - Lightweight outerwear (i.e., fleece, track jackets, warm-ups, North Face). No *school-issued* warm-ups may be worn during the school day. Lightweight outerwear must be zipped up appropriately (i.e., neat and modest levels).
  - Sweaters (must have either a collared shirt or a t-shirt that conforms to LHN policy regarding emblems as its under layer)
  - Suit coats or sport coats (must have as it under layer: collared dress shirt or polo, turtle neck, or mock turtle neck).

**NOTES:**

- No sweatshirts will be allowed. This includes hooded and hoodless cotton sweatshirts. Regardless of the material, anything deemed a "sweatshirt" by LHN administration will be disallowed.
  - "Thermal" shirts (i.e., long underwear) of any color are not to be worn as an outer layer and/or dress code top.
  - All dress code shirts must be tucked in and properly buttoned while on campus on a school day.
  - Lightweight outerwear must have either an acceptable dress code top (as listed above) or a t-shirt that conforms to LHN policy regarding emblems (see below) as its under layer.
  - Small emblems or sayings that can be covered by a 3x5 note card are allowed. Shirts are limited to two emblems. All shirts must be short or long sleeved.
  - **Outdoor clothing** (medium or heavy-duty jackets, school letter jackets, sweatshirts of any kind, over coats, rain gear, etc.) is not to be worn during the school day (7:55 – 3:10).
  - LHN administration will have final say as to whether or not an article of clothing is permissible.
5. The length of the **hair** should be styled so that it does not hang beyond the bottom of the student's ears, in the student's eyes, or below the shirt collar. Sideburns may extend no lower than to the bottom of the ear. Any extreme hairstyle is not acceptable.
  6. Any **dress shoe, tennis shoe, or sandal** that gives a dressy appearance may be worn. Any type of rubber athletic or beach sandal is not to worn during the school day.
  7. **Earrings or fillers** are not to be worn in the building on a school day.
  9. **Hats or sunglasses** are not to be worn in the building.
  10. No **tattoos** may be visible.
  11. Boys will be **clean-shaven** at all times.
  12. No camouflage clothing may be worn.

## DRESS CODE GUIDELINES FOR GIRLS:

1. Female students may wear **dress slacks, cotton casual slacks, or corduroys**. Dress slacks do NOT include leather, vinyl, nylon or denim (of any color). Pants are to be worn at the waist at all times and are to fit properly. They are not to be too tight or too long. “YOGA PANTS” OR ANY OTHER TYPE OF SKIN-TIGHT CLOTHING THAT FORM FITS THE BODY IS NOT ALLOWED. Clothes that have rips, frays, holes, etc. are not to be worn.
1. Female students may wear straight hemmed **dress shorts**. Dress shorts do NOT include leather, vinyl, nylon or denim (of any color). Shorts should not have rips, frays, holes, etc. Shorts are to be worn at the waist at all times and are to fit properly. The length of the shorts will be no shorter than 4” from the floor when kneeling.
2. Female students may wear **dresses, skirts, or split skirts** that fit properly. They are to be no shorter than 4” from the floor when kneeling (this also includes the top of a split in a dress or skirt).
3. Acceptable dress code tops for females include:
  - a. Button Shirts – shirts that button from the collar line to the waistline.
  - b. Collared Shirts – shirts that have any type of fold over collar.
  - c. Sweaters - they are not to be too tight or too short. Final decisions on the inclusion of a specific item of clothing into the “sweater” category will be made by the administration. Sleeveless sweater vests may be worn over a crew neck T-shirt.
  - d. Lightweight outerwear (i.e., Fleece, track jackets, warm-ups, North Face). No *school-issued* warm-ups may be worn during the school day. Lightweight outerwear must be zipped up appropriately (i.e., neat and modest levels).
4. Female students are to wear a **crew neck** shirt (long sleeve, short sleeve or sleeveless) as the bottom most layer of their outfit.

### NOTES:

- All female tops are to **fit properly**, be modest, and conservative (not too tight, low cut, or revealing in any way). All female shirts and sweaters must be long enough so that even when a student raises her hands, her midriff is not exposed.
  - No sweatshirts will be allowed. This includes hooded and hoodless cotton sweatshirts. Regardless of the material, anything deemed a “sweatshirt” by LHN administration will be disallowed.
  - “Thermal” shirts (i.e., long underwear) are not to be worn.
  - Lightweight outerwear must have either an acceptable dress code top (as listed above) or a t-shirt that conforms to LHN policy regarding emblems (see below) as its under layer.
  - Sweaters must have either an acceptable dress code top (as listed above) or a t-shirt that conforms to LHN policy regarding emblems (see below) as its under layer.
  - Small emblems or sayings that can be covered by a 3x5 note card are allowed. Shirts are limited to two emblems. All shirts must be short or long sleeved. Outer layers may be added to dress code shirts (See #5 below)
  - **Outdoor clothing** (medium or heavy-duty jackets, school letter jackets, sweatshirts of any kind, over coats, rain gear, etc.) is not to be worn during the school day (7:55 – 3:10).
  - LHN administration will have final say as to whether or not an article of clothing is permissible.
6. Any extreme **hair grooming** is not acceptable. Female students who choose to change the color or length of their hair must change it to another normal, conservative color and / or length.
  7. Female students may wear any **dress shoe, tennis shoe, or dress sandal** that gives a dressy appearance. Any type of rubber athletic, beach style flip-flop is not to be worn during the school day.
  8. **Earrings or fillers** may be worn only in the ears.
  9. **Hats and / or sunglasses** are not to be worn in the building.
  10. No **tattoos** may be visible.
  11. No camouflage clothing may be worn.

## ENFORCEMENT FOR ALL DRESS CODE VIOLATIONS

In addition to what teachers will do day to day to enforce the dress code, the Assistant Principal may announce “DRESS CODE CHECKS” at random times of the day throughout the school year. At these times, teachers will check dress code for ANY violations. Violators (or those in question) will be sent to the office. The Assistant Principal will make final decisions on violations. **The student must be back in dress code before he/she will be allowed back in class.** Time out of class is unexcused, counts as one of the 14 allowed absences, and a 2% deduction from the final quarter grade in each class missed may also be given. Repeat offenders will receive additional school discipline such as a non school day suspension.

## EXCEPTIONS TO THE DAILY DRESS CODE

**JEANS DAYS** - Denim or denim look clothing (shirts, jeans, shorts, dresses, skirts, female outfits that include a jacket, etc.) may be worn on special designated days and to co-curricular events only. The “jeans” days are listed on the school calendar.

**SPIRIT FRIDAYS** – Fridays allow students to wear any school approved Lutheran High North screened or embroidered T-shirt or sweatshirt. This can be worn with dress code pants, shorts, or skirts (for girls) only. The T-shirts are to be tucked in for all students. Shirts worn under sweatshirts must be appropriate and in good taste. Sweatshirts should then remain on all day. If the student wishes to take the sweatshirt off at any time, he / she is to be in dress code for that day (i.e. an approved LHN T-shirt or any regular dress code top).