



## Dress Code

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### Philosophy

The Luther College High School Dress Code is not only a tradition but a reminder that ours is an exceptional school recognized for its superb citizenship preparation and its safe, inclusive community. Our Dress Code should appropriately reflect this well-earned reputation, both by being consistent with the school's identity and by encouraging students' pride in being ambassadors of that identity.

The way that students and staff conduct themselves in manner and in dress has an impact on the school's culture; therefore, all (students and employees) are expected to dress in a manner befitting their particular roles and in a way that shows respect for themselves, others and Luther College.

Students are asked to practice common sense by dressing neatly, modestly and in a fashion conducive to learning. Rather than intentionally challenging the boundaries of the Dress Code, students are encouraged to participate in building a positive community at Luther College High School by cooperating fully with the Code's guidelines.

The Dress Code supports equitable educational access and seeks to ensure that within fashion realities students are treated equitably regardless of gender, gender identification, sexual orientation, ethnicity, body type and/or religious persuasion.

The Dress Code also recognizes that sometimes the communal good or safety concerns must take priority over freedom of individual expression. For example, students may be required to wear eye protection during chemistry experiments and appropriate athletic clothing and footwear when using the fitness facilities.

### Guidelines

The following are the main guidelines of the Luther College Dress Code. The list should not be viewed as exhaustive. Administration and faculty reserve the right to amend the list as needed and to determine what is in violation of the Dress Code at any point in the academic year. Administration also reserves the right to provide exemptions to individuals for medical reasons.



This code is in effect throughout our facilities during school hours (including exam weeks) unless otherwise indicated by administration. Approved exemptions to the Dress Code for Spirit Days, Casual Fridays, and Wellness Days will be communicated to the student body in advance.

**Students are to refrain from wearing:**

- 1. Blue denim clothing;**
- 2. Sweat pants and athletic shorts, unless for physical education or wellness classes, or during a school approved activity (sweat pants feature a drawstring or elastic waistband and soft material, and may or may not feature pockets or bottom cuffs);**
- 3. Pyjama pants;**
- 4. Hats, ball caps and headwear unless worn for religious reasons;**
- 5. Anything that obscures the face (other than a medical mask) or hooded sweatshirts with the hoods worn up;**
- 6. Clothing that exposes the stomach, buttocks or undergarments;**
- 7. Ripped or torn clothing;**
- 8. Clothing that portrays inappropriate images or messages such as profanity, hate speech, or references to sex, alcohol, drugs or weapons.**

**Procedure for Dress Code Violations**

1. First time offenders of the dress code will be sent to the office and given a warning. The student's name will be added to the log book in the main office. Parents will not be contacted, unless the student fails to report to the office.
2. Second time offenders will be sent to the office and will not be allowed to return to classes, exams and/or school activities until they have changed and their parents have been notified.
3. Third time (or more) offenders will be sent to the office and not allowed to resume classes, exams and/or school activities until the student, their parents and the administration have met.