

Response	At Brainerd Learning Center, we are looking to revise our dress code. What is the dress code at your school? How do you address it with students?
1	We don't have one.
2	<p>A few thoughts.</p> <p>The US Supreme Court just struck down a dress code because it required female students to wear dresses among other things...so I suggest you look at that decision for starters.</p> <p>But more importantly what is the objective of wanting to change your dress code? Do each of the Brainerd schools have their own dress code? The students should be key in the rewriting process.</p>
3	<p>Mostly we enforce around pot leaves, etc. on clothing. We ask them to cover it up, turn it inside out, or get a different clothing item from the nurse. Occasionally we need to enforce around too much of (usually female) bodies exposed, but often it is a student who asks us to enforce that on another student. Again, cover it up, or get additional clothes from the nurse. There's a firm district rule on no masks. Other than that, we don't sweat hats, sagging pants, etc.</p>
4	<p>Grand Rapids Area Learning Center acknowledges that the individuality of students is sometimes exhibited in the unique type of clothing they choose to wear. It is for this reason that there is no strict dress code. However, the administration does retain the right to disallow any dress that they deem disruptive in nature or unacceptable by community standards. A few examples of what might be considered disruptive or unacceptable are any gang related articles of clothing such as bandannas, chains, saggy clothing, low cut shirts, or articles of clothing that advertise for tobacco, alcohol, drugs, or contain sexual innuendo.</p> <p>Students will not be allowed wear caps, bandannas, or other head coverings in Grand Rapids Area Learning Center during the school day, which is considered to be from 8:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. The only exception to this rule will be allowed by administrative discretion for illness or hair loss.</p> <p>The administration of Grand Rapids Learning Center recognizes that it is all but impossible to list behaviors that are unacceptable in a learning community such as ours. By necessity the administration must reserve the right to disallow any behaviors or dress that, in our best judgment, are unacceptable.</p>
5	<p>Not really a dress code-when kids wear inappropriate clothing (gang, drugs, alcohol, too much skin) we ask them to change or turn inside out and not wear again. Usually not a problem.</p>
6	<p>Our dress code is listed on page 11 in our handbook. Here's the link...https://www.isd623.org/sites/isd623.org/files/field_file/18-19%20FAHS%20Handbook%20FINAL.pdf</p> <p>Once we stopped monitoring their dress code and looked at the old code through an equity lens, we haven't had many problems.</p> <p>Good luck!</p>

7	In general, we don't allow clothing that depicts violence, gang affiliation sex or drug use. For guys the emphasis is on not sagging their pants. For girls, no spaghetti straps or strapless shirts, and mid-riffs need to be covered.
8	Very close to MHS. Exceptions we allow hats to be worn. Of course everything has to be school appropriate. Inappropriate shirts must be turned inside out, Hat with any type of inappropriate advertising or sayings, pictures, etc.. cannot be worn they have to take them off and leave in my office.