

# Western School of Technology and Environmental Science

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## Student Dress Code

According to the [Board of Education Rule 5520: Conduct](#), “the student dress code is intended to outline **acceptable standards** for student dress during the school day and during school sponsored activities in to **preserve a safe and orderly environment that is conducive to learning**. Students will wear attire in a manner that supports a healthy and safe learning environment.”

Western School of Technology adheres to the BCPS dress code and **prohibits the following**:

- **Provocative or distracting clothing**: including clothing that exposes the torso area, back, and shoulders or clothing that is fully covered in a sheer material AND sunglasses. (This includes but is not limited to tops without straps, bare midriffs, sheer or woven materials, and low-cut shirts)
- **Clothing that is offensive and displays inappropriate topics** such as sex, drugs, alcohol, race, violence, inappropriate ethnic references, offensive language or gang affiliation
- **Extremely short skirts or shorts**; hemlines of shorts and skirts should be the same length or longer than the students’ fingertips when his/her arms are extended straight down
- **Head covering of any type** except as worn as a legitimate expression of a student’s religious practice. (This includes hoods, bandanas, scarves, do-rags, and hair bonnets)
- **Sleepwear, pajamas, intimate wear, or visible underwear**; no underwear should be visible at any time on any student

**Students and parents are reminded that should a student fail to adhere to these dress code guidelines, he or she will be subject to appropriate disciplinary action.**

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