

Dress Code for Students

The purpose of the dress code at Lylburn Downing Middle School is to provide guidance to students and parents as to appropriate attire for school and school functions. The intent of the dress code is to promote the best learning environment for and to ensure the safety of our students, while at the same time allowing for reasonable student individuality and expression. If a student violates the school dress code, the student will be asked to go to the office where he or she will be asked to change and/or contact a parent. Clothing worn at school should follow the following guidelines:

1. Student dress should be neat and clean.
2. Shoes must be worn at all times.
3. Sneakers are to be worn in physical education class.
4. Hats may not be worn in the school building.
5. Undergarments may not be visible at any time.
6. Clothing must cover the torso, and tops must have arm holes.
7. There should be no inappropriate pictures or printing on clothing.
8. Other rules may be necessary to promote and maintain a productive learning environment.

Dress is a personal and sensitive issue; therefore, enforcement must be done in a respectful, business-like manner. Whenever possible, students should be dealt with privately to avoid embarrassment or humiliation. The procedure for enforcement of the dress code will be as follows:

- Turn inappropriate clothing inside out;
- Change into clothing that may be provided by the school;
- Have other clothing brought to the school;
- Sit out of an activity; and/or
- Be assigned to an area of the school that is removed from the mainstream.

Parents/guardians will be notified by phone of any dress code violations that occur. Repeated violations of dress code by students will warrant further disciplinary measures that include In-School and Out-of-School Suspension.