

## Dress Code

Studies have found that appropriate dress influences behavior and learning. Abrams strives, through the dress code, to maximize the learning environment.

Respect for the sensitivities of others requires that **students/parents/guests** follow reasonable standards of modesty and privacy. We ask that **students/parents/guests** dress in a manner befitting a Jewish day school when entering the building.

## Dress Code for Grades One through Eight

- Clothing cannot advertise or advocate the use of alcohol, drugs, tobacco or weapons.
- Clothing cannot display writing or pictures that are obscene or suggestive.
- No writing or pictures on the back of pants.
- No sleepwear or bedroom slippers to be worn at any time, unless pre-approved for a special occasion.
- Heavy linked chains may not be worn as jewelry.
- No extreme hair colors are permitted.
- All boys must come to school wearing a kippah. Baseball caps and other head coverings are not permitted.
- No sleeveless shirts, tank tops, halter tops, spaghetti straps, tube tops, crop tops, belly shirts, or tight shirts.

## Dress Code for Boys, Grades Five through Eight

- Shirts, sweatshirts, tank tops, and tee-shirts should be appropriate for school. Students may not wear undershirts.
- Pants or denim jeans must be properly hemmed and not dragging on the floor. **Pants will not have rips, holes, or fraying and will not be too tight or oversized.**
- Shorts must be to the knee.
- Pants/shorts will not be sagged, as underwear may not be visible.
- Boys are to be clean-shaven.
- Hair is to be well groomed. Partially or fully shaved heads and ponytails are not allowed.
- Piercings, of any kind, are not allowed.

### **Dress Code for Girls, Grades Five through Eight**

- Dresses/skirts/shorts must be no shorter than 2 inches above the knee.
- Pants or denim jeans must be properly hemmed and not dragging on the floor. **Pants or shorts will not have rips, holes, or fraying and will not be too tight.**
- **Leggings of any type are not permitted to be worn in place of skirts or pants, but may be worn under clothing. If worn they must be accompanied by a fingertip length, or longer, dress, skirt, or top.**
- Clothing that exposes any part of the midriff, cleavage (front or rear) or any clothing excessively revealing may not be worn.
- Clothing materials for tops and bottoms must be opaque (not see-through).

### **Consequences for Students Who Do Not Follow the Dress Code**

1<sup>st</sup> Offense – Explain to student what is wrong with his/her attire. Student must change into appropriate clothing.

2<sup>nd</sup> Offense – Written notification that requires parent signature. Student must change into appropriate clothing.

3<sup>rd</sup> Offense – Student must change clothes to follow guidelines and parent is called on the telephone immediately.

4<sup>th</sup> Offense – Suspension from school.

Parent conference required for student to return to school.