DRESS CODE

As a Christian community, our school encourages and expects proper speech, dress and manners. Our goal is to maintain an atmosphere conducive to serious educational pursuits. We desire that students dress modestly and neatly, and that they avoid extremes in dress and conduct that would tend to attract unfavorable attention to themselves or to the school. Parental cooperation is essential if our school is to maintain a quality educational environment.

Students who do not cooperate or comply run the risk of a dress code violation and school discipline that could result in removal from class and/or a detention. If there are any questions, please check with the Assistant Principal in advance as to the appropriateness of the article of clothing. Students are expected to be in dress code anytime they are on the school property.

Guidelines for Pants/Shorts/Skirts:

- 1. Students are to wear dress pants, khaki pants, or non-blue jeans.
- 2. The following styles are NOT allowed: Yoga pants, stretch pants, Jogger style pants, leggings, athleisure, <u>any pant</u> <u>with a banded bottom</u>. No flannel, nylon, leather, spandex, pajama, vinyl, blue denim, cut-off, faded, or sweatpants are allowed. (sweatpants with Lutheran North branding are NOT allowed).
- 3. Modest-cut dress shorts or khaki shorts may be worn all year. Shorts may be no shorter than 4" from the floor when kneeling.
- 4. Pants are to be worn at the waist at all times and are to fit properly.
- 5. Pants must have no rips, frays, or holes.
- 6. Female students may wear dresses, skirts, or split skirts that fit properly. They are to be no shorter than 4" from the floor when kneeling (this also includes the top of a split in a dress or skirt).

Guidelines for Tops:

- Students are to wear outermost layers that include branded Lutheran North gear purchased from the Mustang Spirit Shop (either in school or on the website). This includes Tee-shirts, hoodies, sweatshirts, fleece, ¹/₄ zips, vests, and jackets with Lutheran North branding. <u>All clothing listed that does not contain Lutheran North branding should NOT be worn</u>.
- 2. Students may also wear collared shirts (dress shirt or polo) and sweaters as the outermost layer. Female students may also wear blouses, dresses, and solid color denim jackets (no rips, frays, or holes) as the outermost layer.
- 3. The following items are NOT allowed: Coats, camouflage, lined flannel.
- 4. All tops must be crew neck length or have a crew neck underneath.
- 5. School issued jerseys are only to be worn with special permission.
- 6. All tops are to be conservative and modest. They are not to be too tight or too short. Tops too short are those that when a student raises their hands, the midriff is exposed.
- 7. Female students' tops/dresses must have a sleeve of some kind.

Guidelines for Hair/Jewelry/Accessories:

- 1. No extreme hair color, styles, or designs. Hair color should be a God given shade. Sports teams should refrain from using grooming as a show of solidarity.
- 2. Male students should style their hair so that it does not hang beyond the bottom of the student's ear, in the student's eye, or below the shirt collar. Sideburns may extend no lower than the bottom of the ear.
- 3. Male students must be clean-shaven at all times.
- 4. Students are not to wear fillers, hats, or sunglasses in the building.
- 5. Male students are not to wear earrings.
- 6. No visible tattoos or body piercings are permitted.
- 7. No chains or spikes are allowed.

Guidelines for Shoes:

1. Dress shoes, tennis shoes, or sandals that give a dressy appearance must be worn at all times. This does NOT include rubber sandals, slides, beach sandals, crocs, moccasins, or slippers.

THE SCHOOL DRESS CODE IS IN EFFECT WHILE THE STUDENT IS ON CAMPUS. This includes both before the actual school day begins and after the school day ends. It is expected that the student be fully in dress code as soon as he/she enters North's property and remains in dress code until he/she leaves the property for the day.

Modesty is important and should be followed closely by all students attending Lutheran High North. Outfits that are too tight and / or too revealing are not to be worn. The latest fashion or fad may not fit the dress code. Any male or female clothing that gives a sloppy appearance is inappropriate. Anything that could be interpreted by the school staff as being in "poor taste" will not be allowed.

Some exceptions are made for co-curricular activities but must remain within the parameters of cleanliness, neatness, and modesty in dress.

EXCEPTIONS TO THE DAILY DRESS CODE

Jeans Days – Blue denim or denim look clothing (shirts, shorts, dresses, skirts, etc.) may be worn on special designated days and to co-curricular events only. The "jeans" days are listed on the school calendar.

ENFORCEMENT FOR ALL DRESS CODE VIOLATIONS

Staff will use verbal warnings and detentions to enforce the dress code. Violators (or those in question) may also be sent to the office to see the Assistant Principal. Time out of class is unexcused, counts as one of the 14 allowed absences, and a 2% deduction from the final quarter grade in each class missed may also be given. Repeat offenders will receive additional school discipline.