## **Dress for Success**

The dress and grooming of Hamtramck Public Schools' students shall contribute to the atmosphere, dignity, respect, health and safety of the individual, promote a positive educational environment, and not disrupt the educational activities and processes of the school. These minimum standards of dress and grooming apply to all students in the public schools of Hamtramck, unless a specific exemption is granted by the principal.

## 2017/2018 HAMTRAMCK PUBLIC SCHOOLS DRESS CODE

## The following factors are to be considered in determining student dress regulations:

- Maintenance of an atmosphere conducive to learning.
- Compliance with standards of dress that are generally considered in our community and in contemporary society.
- Students in grades K-12 will be required to adhere to the following HPS dress code. School
  Administrators will make the final determination of dress code compliance in case of
  disagreement or for items not mentioned below.

## The following regulations apply:

- 1. Clothing should be modest and avoid distracting influences.
- 2. Clothing with holes, tears, or inappropriate patches will not be allowed if obscene.
- 3. No skin is to be revealed between pants and tops. This must be true while the student is standing as well as when seated. Bare midriffs and bare sides should not show even when arms are extended above the head. Tops should reveal no more than a very modest amount of cleavage. Clothing that is too tight, sheer (see-through), or revealing is unacceptable.
- 4. Jerseys or tank tops with large armholes must have a shirt underneath if they are to be worn. Shoulders must be covered.
- 5. Shorts and skirts must end no more than 3" above the knee and may not be excessively tight. Absolutely no undergarments/boxer shorts will be exposed. The waist of the pants must be at hip level or higher. Yoga pants or leggings can only be worn with long shirt or tunic.
- 6. Clothing displaying offensive or inappropriate pictures or writing which includes but is not limited to topics of sex, tobacco, alcohol and other drugs is not permitted. (Spirit wear is acceptable)
- 7. Outerwear, including hats and jackets, is not to be worn in school.
- 8. Clothing, jewelry, symbols, or other things that may be perceived as denoting membership in a gang are not permitted. Garments and/or jewelry which display or suggest sexual, vulgar, drug, alcohol, or tobacco related wording/graphics or may tend to provoke violence or disruption in school shall not be worn.
- 9. Jewelry, symbols, clothing, tattoos, or other things that can cause safety concerns are not permitted. Large chains with or without medallions/large charms are not to be worn in school. This includes wallets with chains.
- 10. No headwear allowed except for religious reasons. (i.e. hats, bandanas, hood (e.g. hoodie), head wraps, do rags)
- 11. Combs, picks, etc., are not allowed to be kept in student's hair.
- 12. Writing on one's own skin or allowing others to write on you is not permitted.
- 13. Solid dress or casual shoes are recommended. Students may also wear athletic shoes. No house slippers/shoes, open-toed shoes, or flip flops are permitted.
- 14. Sunglasses may be worn only with the permission of a principal upon the recommendation of a doctor or health official.