T.H. ROGERS K-8 STUDENT DRESS CODE

STANDARDS FOR GOOD GROOMING As determined by the Student Dress Code Committee, May 2010

Creating the proper atmosphere for learning is very important, and something our entire school community can contribute to. To ensure that the health standards, safety conditions, and the proper educational decorum are maintained, the following grooming guidelines shall apply at all times and school events, on campus or elsewhere, unless otherwise adjusted by an administrator:

1. Wear clothing that is appropriate for school. Clothing must not be too tight, too loose, or torn; a belt must be worn with loose-fit shorts or pants; <u>waistlines must match</u>, meaning no low hip-riding waistlines. Skirts and dresses are to be no shorter than two inches, front and back, from the top of the knee in a standing position; this rule still applies even if tights or leg warmers are worn beneath. Clothing must be worn that is neat and clean in appearance and that is appropriate for the gender of the student. Gym clothes may not be worn outside of gym class. NO SWEATPANTS OR NYLON/SPORT SHORTS, regardless of pockets. Pants may not sag; the crotch part of the pant may not hang down. Pants may not have slits, rips or tears, nor may they 'ride low'.

2. Halter tops, see-through shirts or blouses, cut-off clothes, plunging necklines and tops exposing the midriff (including crop tops) or the back are unacceptable. <u>Tops must be long enough so that skin is not showing when bending over</u>. Sleeveless shirts are permitted; however shirt sleeves may not be rolled in such a way as to make the shirt into a sleeveless shirt. Tank tops may only be worn with a shirt under or over the tank top. No Spandex shorts or pants may be worn. Leggings may be worn only under skirts, dresses or tops that come to the knee. Pants length should be no longer than the back of the heel of the shoe.

3. Shorts may be worn that are an appropriate fit and length. Shorts length may be no more than 2 inches above the knee measured in a standing position. No cut-offs are permitted, nor may students roll or cuff their shorts up. Any questions about appropriate lengths will be settled by administration.

4. Clothes that depict or refer to alcoholic beverages, violence, drugs, nudity or contain suggestive slogans will not be allowed.

5. Appropriate under-clothing must be worn by students.

6. ACCESSORIES: No hats, bandanas, caps or other head coverings (including hoods) may be worn in the school building. They may be worn while outside the school campus. Pocket chains: limited to one, no longer than 18" total length. No sunglasses are allowed indoors.

7. All students shall wear shoes for safety and health reasons. Due to safety considerations, all footwear must have heel straps and toe straps. Footwear MUST be worn at all times.

8. Hair styles and make-up must be socially acceptable and not create a distraction in the classroom; hair must be neat, clean, and well-groomed, not hang in the eyes, and, in general, make-up and hair kept in moderation. NO WRITING/MARKINGS ON ARMS, LEGS OR ANY BODY PARTS.

NOTE: The wearing of shorts is a privilege, as is NOT having a school uniform. Violation of this policy forfeits this privilege!

Appropriateness of clothing and hairstyles will be determined by school administrators.

1st violation: Change clothes, written parent report/phone call 2nd violation: Change clothes, Level II violation (see Code of Student Conduct)