

## *2017-2018 Newberry Math & Science Academy Dress Code*



The Newberry Academy administration and staff strives to create a community which does not judge people based on dress or fashion, but which values individuality. At the same time we recognize that clothing reflects the educational environment and therefore should not be offensive or disruptive to instruction. Please be aware of the following rules and guidelines when selecting clothing for school.

1. Clothing which depicts or refers to alcohol, tobacco, gang/cult or obscenities are never appropriate and not allowed. Dress that supports or promotes any illegal substance is not allowed. Clothing may not advocate or promote acts of violence, self-destruction, sexual or promiscuous behavior.
2. Clothing which contributes to the creation of a hostile, offensive, or intimidating environment based on race, color, religion, national origin, age, disability, gender or sexual orientation is prohibited.
3. Earrings: Students may wear earrings in their ears. If they choose to do so, the earring should be studs and no more than one earring in each ear.
4. If a purse is brought to school, it remains in the locker
5. Clothing which does not adequately cover the front, back, sides or midriff is prohibited.
  - No bare shoulders, halter tops or tube tops.
  - Shoulder straps must be at least two inches wide.
  - Dresses and skirts must be knee-length. Shorts can be no more than two inches above the knee.
  - No pajama bottoms or flip-flops
  - Only outer clothing may be visible, with no underwear showing. A belt must be worn if pants are loose-fitting. No oversized shirts or pants will be allowed.
6. The following clothing items are prohibited in school:
  - Hats or head coverings, of any kind (unless for religious dress), including bandanas, are not allowed in the school building.
  - Outer coats or jackets may not be worn during school hours, other than entering or exiting the building.
  - Clothing or jewelry with spikes or other metal accessories which may damage property or harm people is prohibited.
  - Choke chains/collars are not allowed.
  - Flip-flops and/or sliding sandals

**The Student Code of Conduct will be used as a reference for students failing to abide by the school dress code. When possible, they will be asked to remove or cover inappropriate attire. If this is not possible, a parent or parent designee will be called and asked to bring a change of clothing, or purchase Newberry Wear. It is to everyone's advantage to come to school dressed according to the guidelines stated above.**

*All students enrolled at Walter L. Newberry Math & Science Academy are to abide by the rules laid out in this agreement.*