

NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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STUDENT DRESS POLICY

Dressing for Success applies not only to the workplace, but also to school to school.

In accordance with NYC Department of Education policy, students do have the right to determine their own dress except when such dress is dangerous or interferes with the learning and teaching process. Inappropriate dress can cause unnecessary distractions in classrooms and, more importantly convey unintended messages that are misinterpreted by peers. Adolescents need clarification and reinforcement in matters of appropriateness, particularly in appropriate attire for school. Clothing that may be appropriate for non-school related activities may not be proper school attire.

The following is a list of inappropriate apparel and accessories that should not be worn in the school building:

Low cut blouses	short shorts
Halter tops	short skirts
Midriff tops	medal wallet chains
Metal spike bracelets	

The NYC Department of Education has established a policy which prohibits students from wearing head coverings such as hats, sweatbands, doo-rags, and scarves in school building. The staff of Thomas A. Edison High School actively enforces this policy and is authorized to confiscate these prohibited items.