



THE EWING PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Ewing High School

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Dear Ewing High School Community,

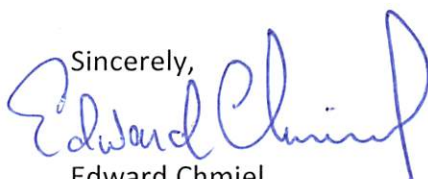
I wanted to reach out to you today regarding a safety concern in our schools. Today the fashion for many students is to wear sweatshirts with hoods (hoodies) to school. We are having a problem because students are putting on their hoods in the hallways, classrooms and throughout the building. This is a safety issue because it hides their identity. It is difficult enough to determine who is who with the Governor's order mandating masks in school and a hood on.

I ask that you remind your sons and daughters that no head coverings such as: hats, hoods, wave caps, bonnets, shower caps, etc... should be worn in school for safety and security reason. The only exception is for religious or cultural reasons.

Additionally, students should not be wearing full ski type masks or gators that hide their appearance. Students should bring a mask with them to school that covers both their mouth and nose each and every day. We are running low on our mask supplies.

Included is our dress code directly from the Ewing High School 2021-2022 student handbook which is one of the documents that you signed off on in Genesis at the start of the school year.

Thank you as always for your support as we work to keep our schools as safe and healthy as possible.

Sincerely,

Edward Chmiel
Principal



DRESS CODE

In keeping with the New Jersey State Board of Education's adoption of expectations for student behavior, the Board recognizes the need for a policy on student dress. It is recognized that current fashion trends dictate students' attire in school. However, anything that is too distracting is prohibited. **The judgment of the administration is final.**

The following types of clothing or attire are specifically prohibited from being worn inside the school. These items do not constitute an all inclusive list:

1. Tank tops, tube tops, halter tops, spaghetti strap dresses and tops, or any shirt revealing the midriff, or any other shirt or top which is sheer or so brief, low-cut or revealing as to be embarrassing or indecent; tops should cover the shoulder top.
2. Clothing which displays profanities or obscenities or which promotes alcohol, drug use, or hate at any time.
3. Shorts and skirts are permitted, provided they are not revealing, as determined by the administration.
4. No excessively tight fitting clothing as determined by administration.
5. No skirts/dresses with high splits.
6. Sunglasses (unless a valid medical reason exists).
7. Coats (designed for outdoor wear in cold weather), **hoods, hats, bonnets, bandannas, head bands, wave caps, athletic sweatbands, ear muffs** (except when entering or leaving school for the day), gloves; (sweaters, sweat shirts and denim jackets are acceptable).
8. The belt area of pants must be worn at the waist. No low sagging pants or revealing underwear are permitted.
9. Any type of clothing, apparel or accessory which indicates that the student has membership in, or affiliation with any gang associated with criminal activities.

Nothing in these regulations shall prohibit the wearing of normal gym or exercise clothes in physical education classes.

In any classroom in which there are chemicals, machinery or equipment of any kind, students may be required to adapt their clothing and grooming appropriately so as to minimize the risk of injury. The individual classroom teacher shall have the responsibility therefore.

All interpretations and decisions on the school dress policy are to be made by the administrators, consistent with the criteria set forth in this policy.

Students, who, after warning and/or parent notification, continue to be in violation of this dress code, will be disciplined for defiance.