## DRESS CODE

Vermillion High School Students represent themselves, their families, the school, and the community. During the school day, VHS students are expected to dress according to standards that enhance the learning environment. Dress styles that disrupt the learning environment will not be tolerated. In the interest of promoting cleanliness, decency and an appropriate educational environment, restrictions on students' dress and grooming are necessary. Whenever dress styles and/or grooming create a danger to the students' health and safety, an interference with the educational process, a disruption to school or an intrusion on the rights of others, intervention becomes imperative.

## In order to promote a positive and safe learning environment, all students shall abide by the following guidelines:

- Students may not wear clothing with writing, slogans, pictures, or symbols that depict alcohol, or drugs, obscenities, vulgarity, racism, sex, violence or gang affiliation. Visible tattoos are subject to these same guidelines and must be covered if in violation thereof.
- Students may not wear clothing that is revealing. Shorts and skirts must reach mid thigh and not be shorter than the student's extended finger tips.
- Garments that are cut low and expose visible cleavage, midriff, undergarments or sit off the shoulder are not allowed.
- Tank tops, spaghetti strap tops, halter tops, strapless/tube tops, and see through clothing are not allowed.
- Yoga pants, spandex pants must be worn with tops that extend past the front inseam.
- Spandex shorts will not be allowed unless covered by shorts or slacks that extend past the front inseam.
- No pajama pants or slippers may be worn.
- Basketball style tank tops can be worn only over a sleeved shirt. Muscle shirts will not be allowed.
- Students may not wear pants in a sagging manner (below the hips).
- No jackets, coats, or outer wear may be worn during the school day and must be placed in the student's locker.
- No hats, hoods, caps, bandanas, sunglasses, or gloves may be worn while in school.
- Students may not wear bicycle chains, wallets with chains attached, jewelry or accessories with spikes.

## Violations of the school dress code:

- Students will be asked to change or put away the offending item.
- Students may also be provided an alternate item of clothing, and it may be necessary to contact a parent/guardian to provide alternate clothing.
- Multiple violations or refusal to comply may be handled as insubordination or violation of policy, parents will be notified, and student discipline sanctions may be imposed.