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The Interlake School Division (ISD) expects students to make wise choices and act as responsible citizens of their school community. Certain clothing may be considered as inappropriate for school and school events. This includes, but is not restricted to, any article or apparel which displays obscene words, pictures, or designs; any article that conveys a sexually suggestive remark, demonic image, a pro-alcohol message, a tobacco message, or a pro-drug message.

All students attending class must wear clothing that is suitable for daily wear and must dress in a manner that is not unduly distracting or threatening. Bandanas or any clothing that suggests a gang affiliation (including gang colours and gang markings) will not be tolerated at the school.

Students are expected to wear appropriate clothing in the school at all times during the school day. While interpretation of these terms is necessary and community standards change through time, current expectations are the following:

- all schools must have a dress code as part of the Student Handbook;
- undergarments should not be visible;
- shorts and skirts must be a reasonable length;
- caps and other types of head wear may be allowed provided they are removed as a part of respectful protocol (for example, during ceremonies);
- concealing clothing (for example, large bulky jackets, trench coats, etc.) are not to be worn inside the school; and
- any inappropriate body piercings should be covered up.

Students dressed in clothing considered to be inappropriate for school shall be required to change and parents/guardians will be notified.

Consequences may include:

- Consultation with parents and/or guardians
- In-school suspension
- Intervention strategies (e.g. behaviour contract)

Repeated dress code violations may be considered as a Non-Compliance/ Insubordination violation.