NCHS Dress Code

To promote a better educational environment, students are expected to arrive dressed appropriately for the school day. The students' complete attire will conform to proper school standards.

Shirts: (Boys and Girls)

- Type: Polo shirt with fold-down collar; buttoned to avoid exposure; dress shirt with fold-down collar; turtleneck or mock turtleneck
- Sleeve: Shirts may be long or short sleeve (no sleeveless or sheer). Sleeves cannot extend below the wrist.
- Midriff: Front, back or side may not be exposed at any time.

Sweatshirts/Sweaters/Vests

 All sweatshirts and sweaters/vests (v-neck, crew neck or cardigan) must be worn with dress code shirts (fold-down collar) or turtlenecks underneath. Hooded sweatshirts must be removed upon entering the building.

Pants/Overalls (Boys and Girls)

- Colors: Any solid color
- Types: Twill, chino, corduroy, denim or jean with plain or pleated front. Elastic waist slacks may be worn. No sweat/nylon, spandex, jogging, or yoga pants are allowed.
 Pants are to be worn at the waist (no sagging or excessively tight pants). Overalls must be worn with shirts that have sleeves.

Skirts/Jumpers/Dresses

• Types: Twill, chino, corduroy, denim or jean (no spandex/lycra or stretch material). Must meet or extend to the knee. Slits may not be shorter than the knee. Shorts may be worn under the dress, skirt or jumper, but may not extend below the hem. Dresses must have sleeves and backs. Jumpers must be worn with shirts that have sleeves.

Walking Shorts (Boys and Girls)

Types: Shorts must extend to the knee area.

Shoes

• All sandals or shoes must have a back.

Backpacks

No rolling backpacks are permitted.

Hats

- All hats are to be removed upon entering the building.
- Hats will be confiscated and can only be picked up by a parent

General Expectations:

Any apparel or appearance (including but not limited to hair color, jewelry, makeup, hair style, etc.) that calls attention to itself will be responded to as deemed necessary. The administration has the final authority in determining appropriate school attire and appearance.

- Students may not carry or wear anything that advertises drugs, alcohol, tobacco products or anything that promotes or suggests lewd, dangerous or unacceptable messages.
- 2. Clothing must not have holes or tears and must have finished hems. Pants and skirts must not drag the ground.
- 3. Only one out of dress code day per month is permitted (or if scheduled cumulatively, cannot exceed ten per year).
- 4. While students are expected to dress appropriately at after school functions, they are not required to follow the dress code
- 5. JROTC uniforms and extracurricular jackets may be worn on designated days with prior approval from principal.
- 6. Students that violate the dress code will be assigned appropriate punishment.
- 7. All class shirts must be approved prior to the sales and/or ordering of the shirts.
- 8. The NC Board of Education has approved for students to have a "Spirit Day" on Fridays. Students will not have to wear a collared shirt on Friday as long as they wear a school or district shirt. The school connection will need to be very clear. It is important to note that this is for Fridays only. If a school week ends on Thursday, Thursday is not a Spirit Day.