This brochure is designed to address common questions and misconceptions about the dress code at Sarasota High School.

Please understand, we are not making judgments about style or people’s taste in clothes. We are simply setting a standard for what we believe is appropriate dress for a school setting.

We appreciate your support of the dress expectations that have been established and hope that this handout is helpful.

STUDENT DRESS CODE

The following specific dress practices are NOT permitted on campus:

- pajamas or slippers
- oversized coats/ trench coats
- sunglasses inside buildings
- beach wear
- combs or picks worn in the hair
- bandanas or hats worn in imitation of gang fashion
- chains, spikes, or other items with raised studs
- any apparel referencing drugs, alcohol, or tobacco
- any apparel that has sexually suggestive pictures, designs, or words
- any apparel depicting weapons, violence, or discrimination
- any apparel, headwear, jewelry, accessory, or manner of grooming that is deemed as disruptive to the educational process

1st Offense*: Student corrects the infraction and returns to class
2nd Offense*: Detention along with the previous consequences
3rd Offense: ISS

*Students will be assigned to the ISS room to complete their work until the infraction is corrected.
HOODS/HATS
Not to be worn inside the classroom.

SHORTS, SKIRTS, AND DRESSES
Skirts, dresses, and shorts must be below fingertip length; including athletic shorts.

SHIRTS AND TOPS
Tops must follow the 4-finger rule (the strap must be as wide as 4 fingers). Strapless tops, backless tops, midriffs and low-cut necklines are prohibited. Strapless and sleeveless tops may be worn with a cardigan or sweater that fully covers all areas appropriately. Undergarments must NOT show.

HEADPHONES/EARPHONES
May only cover one ear during transitions and lunch, or in common areas.

PANTS AND LEGGINGS
Only jeans/pants with holes and rips below mid-thigh will be permitted. Pants must be worn at the waistline. Leggings are permitted if skin and undergarments are not visible.

FOOTWEAR
Must be worn at all times.