Policy No. 4420

## **Dress and Grooming**

Students at ACCA are expected to adhere to the following dress code policy. The basic school mission includes the fostering and development of social skills, respect for all people, and understanding and respecting diverse viewpoints, all with the goal of providing a safe, secure, friendly and productive learning environment for all students. This dress code does not regulate any particular viewpoint but merely regulates the types of clothes that students may wear. Furthermore, this dress code does not regulate the exercise of an individuals sincerely held religious beliefs. The objective of this dress code is to provide an appropriate educational environment while allowing students to dress comfortably within limits to facilitate safety, security, and learning. We expect students to maintain the type of appearance that is not distracting or disruptive to students, teachers, or the educational process of the school. Parents/guardians and students are equally responsible for proper dress and appearance at school.

## General Guidelines

- All clothing must be of appropriate size and fit neatly.
- Oversize, saggy, baggy or tight-fitting clothing will not be permitted.
- Low necklines will not be permitted.
- Tops and bottoms must overlap at all times, including when arms are raised.
- School athletic team uniforms may be worn only upon permission of the administration.
- Clothing that is in disrepair, worn out, ripped, or contains holes is not permitted.
- Any material that is sheer or lightweight enough to be seen through is not permitted.
- Shoes, sandals, or boots must be worn.
- Hats, bandanas, sweatbands, or other headwear may not be worn.
- Sunglasses may not be worn.
- Any article of apparel, clothing, and/or accessory that promotes drugs, alcohol, tobacco, sex, violence or is offensive or degrading is not permitted.
- Any article of apparel, clothing, and/or accessory that presents a hazard to the individual or to other people is not permitted.
- Anything that may cause a distraction to the educational process or is deemed inappropriate by administration is not permitted.
- Dresses must meet all guidelines in this dress code including, but not limited to, color, fit, length and style.