

# Dress Code for 2022-2023

We appreciate your support in enforcing our dress code moving forward...we have put the rationale for each element of the dress code below.

- **No obscene/inappropriate images or words on clothing**
  - Fairly self-explanatory
- **No hats or hoods in school**
  - This does NOT include religious items and the only other exception is hoods INSIDE a teacher's classroom if allowed by that teacher (some rooms are chilly sometimes)
  - The reason for this rule is it is a safety issue in the hallways for identification purposes in the case of emergencies
- **No pajama pants**
  - Helping students learn how to dress for a professional environment
  - Helping instill proper morning routine and hygiene practices (not just rolling out of bed and coming to school in the same clothes they slept in the night before)
- **Ripped jeans are allowed...AS LONG AS...no underwear or pockets are exposed**
- **Shorts fall into the same category as rips...AS LONG AS...no underwear or pockets are exposed**
- **No sagging pants**
  - Underwear or undershorts cannot be exposed
- **Shirts**
  - Must have straps...doesn't matter how thick
  - No underwear or inappropriate body parts exposed above or below shirt line

## **Wang School Technology Policies for 2022-2023**

We want to remind parents and students of the technology policy within the Lowell Public Schools, but also specifically at Wang School. Please make sure you and your student are familiar with the policies and reach out to your child's HR teacher or the school administration if you have any questions.

**Prohibited Items based on LPS policy:** The following items are considered disruptive to the educational process in Lowell Public Schools and are not allowed in school:

- Cell Phones and communication devices such as Apple watch
- Video Games
- Radios, iPods and other Walkman Type Devices
- Hand Held Laser Pointers
- Playing Cards
- Tobacco Products (including hookahs)
- E-Cigarettes (vape)
- Lighter/Matches (possession will lead to immediate suspension)
- Skateboards/Scooters/Roller Blades/Heelys/Hoverboards
- Other Items or Devices deemed inappropriate by the Principal or his designee

Wang School Policy has made some "flexible" accommodations for our students, but we must remind families that based on current LPS Policy:

- Students displaying and/or using any of these prohibited items will have the item confiscated and may receive disciplinary action including suspension. **Though the school will secure the device, the ultimate responsibility for any loss or damage remains with the student who brought the prohibited item to school.** A parent or guardian must come into school to pick up the item.
- **Earbuds/Headphones:** Students must be able to hear the intercom and directives from staff at all times to ensure safety. For this reason **students are not allowed to wear earbuds in school. Ear buds will be confiscated and not returned until the end of the school year or until a parent/guardian comes in to collect the article.** The only exception to this prohibition applies to teachers who allow the use of earbuds in the classroom for educational purposes, but the earbuds must be put away before exiting the classroom.

While we will be allowing students to bring phones to and from school, **the Wang School Policy is that they must be turned in to the HR teacher or the main office each morning.** Devices like cell phones or Smart Watches should not be in the school hallways or used during the school day UNLESS there is an academic reason. Phones are always available to students in the main office, there is no need in school for a student to have a cell phone or Smart Watch.

On the other hand, **wireless earbuds, bluetooth connected headphones or AirPods ARE NO LONGER ALLOWED at Wang School for any reason.** We have wired earphones the students can

borrow if needed or they can bring their own wired earbuds for use at school when allowed/appropriate. Wireless earbuds, bluetooth connected headphones, and/or AirPods are not allowed for any reason.

**In the event a student does not follow these policies, the image below diagrams how the school will respond and if confiscated too many times the student's phone or device may be locked in the school's safe and returned to the parents at the end of the school year.**

