## STUDENT DRESS CODE

Responsibility for the dress and appearance of students enrolled in the Charlotte County Public Schools primarily rests with parents and the students themselves. Some student apparel may not be appropriate to wear to school even though that same apparel may be appropriate in other settings.

The School Board of Charlotte County believes that there is a relationship between student attire and classroom behavior, attitude, and achievement. A school may elect to participate in a uniform dress code which follows school board guidelines and receives school board approval. Once a uniform dress

outlined in the Code of Student Con Con

To assist parents and students in making appropriate attire decisions for school, the School Board has established the following guidelines for appearance and dress.

- 1. Gothing must have sleeves and cover the body from shoulder to shoulder, one armpit across to the other armpit, and down to approximately mid-thigh (see image to the right). Undergarments must not be viewable. Rips, holes, or tears in dothing must be below mid-thigh. A sleeve is defined as the part of a garment that wholly or
- 2. Footwear which is appropriate to all activities and conditions must be worn at all times.
- 3. Hats, headgear, including hoods, or sunglasses may only be worn when students are out of doors during school hours.
- 4. In order to maintain a high level of student safety, high school students are required to wear school issued identification badges during regular school hours.
- 5. Specialized courses may require specialized attire, such as sports uniforms, or safety gear and must be approved by the principal before being worn during the school day.
- 6. See-through or mesh garments must not be worn without appropriate coverage underneath that meet the minimum requirements of this dress code.
- 7. Gang paraphernalia, garments and/or jewelry, tattoos, or other insignias, which display or suggest sexual, vulgar, drug, alcohol, or tobacco-related wording/graphics or may tend to provoke violence or disruption in school shall not be worn.
- 8. Gothing must not state, imply, or depict hate speech or imagery targeting groups based on race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, religious affiliation, or any other protected class.
- 9. Oothing and accessories that endanger students or staff shall not be worn.

