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Dear Parents,

I'd like to welcome you back as we start the 2009-10 school year! Our first day of school for students in grades 1 through 12 is Thursday, August 20. Kindergarten students will report Monday, August 24. I am writing to encourage you to become involved in your school's PTO this year. Your child and all of our children need to know that the schools and our parents are working together to give them the very best education. Please contact your building principal to learn how to get involved.

Along those lines, below is the dress code policy for students. This year we are asking for your help in making sure students are dressed appropriately for school every day. Please be mindful of this policy when shopping for school clothes and when you observe your children leaving home in the morning. We want to continue our focus on providing a quality education for your children and are depending on parents to monitor what children are wearing when they come to school and to encourage them to dress appropriately. We understand following the latest fashion trends and being "in style" is very important to a child and to some adults, but as responsible parents we want to help them understand that school, like the workplace, is not the appropriate place to expose midriffs or wear tight fitting clothes, low cut blouses, or pants that "sag" below the hips revealing undergarments. We know that by working together, we can help our children make better choices to prepare them for success not only in school but in life.

- 1. Bare midriffs, halters, underwear type "T" shirts, or that which gives the appearance of an undergarment, tube tops, cut-out garments, split skirts and/or extremely short skirts are not to be worn.**
- 2. Sheer blouses, dresses or shirts are not be worn unless a proper undergarment is worn.**
- 3. Extremely tight fitting garments are not to be worn.**
- 4. Trousers/shorts must be accompanied by a belt and may not be worn low on the hips (sagging).**

I hope that you and your child have had the opportunity to spend some quality time over the summer. Enjoy the remaining weeks before school starts and we will see you soon!

Sincerely,



Charlie Keenan
Superintendent