

# **PREFATORY LANGUAGE, ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS, EXEMPTION POLICY, AND MODIFICATION PROCESS—ADOPTED BY THE BOARD ON 6/28/07**

## **Preface**

The Dress Code Policy at Canyon Rim Academy has been developed to foster and promote desirable school operating conditions and a positive educational environment by:

1. Ensuring clothing is modest and non-offensive;
2. Setting a tone for serious study and removing distractions created by socioeconomic differences and modern fashion; and
3. Creating an atmosphere of discipline and respect.

## **Enforcement of Dress Code Policy**

The Principal will oversee enforcement of the Dress Code Policy. The school should strive to achieve compliance through use of incentives and positive reinforcement measures and should resort to disciplinary action only when positive measures fail to result in compliance. The school will communicate with parents so that expectations, rationale, and benefits are clearly published.

When students choose not to comply with the dress code standards, the school staff will communicate the concerns to the student and parents. When a dress code problem arises, the student will be verbally reminded and a written reminder of the dress code standards will be sent home to the parents. A second dress code infraction will require the student to go to the school office and phone a parent/guardian to bring the appropriate clothing to school. A third, or future dress code infraction will require a parent and student conference with the Principal. Extreme violations of the dress code that severely distract from the learning environment may result in the student being sent home to change that same day.

## **Dress Code Exemptions**

The Principal is allowed, at any time during the school year, to grant an exemption to a student from the school dress code policy because of extenuating circumstances.

## **Modification Process**

The Principal shall monitor Dress Code Policy implementation and recommend to the Board of Trustees any needed changes to the policy that the Principal perceives are needed based on developing circumstances. Modification of the Dress Code Policy will take place by Board of Trustees action.