



## **SCHOOL COMMUNITY DRESS CODE**

### **(Excerpted from the Student Handbook)**

At City Neighbors Hamilton, students do not wear uniforms. However, we employ a dress code that is designed to promote a safe and respectful learning environment, while still allowing all community members creativity and self-expression. A dress code can help ensure focus on learning in the classroom. In general, we ask that students wear clothing and shoes appropriate for the weather and for fully participating in school activities, such as our music, art, and physical education programs. Please make sure your child's clothing is comfortable. Be aware that because we are a hands-on, project-based school, clothes will often get dirty.

### **CNH Dress Code**

(Written by CNH middle school students in 2019)

- Open-toed shoes are okay with the exception of flip-flops or high-heeled shoes that could be dangerous during an emergency.
- Headwear is acceptable, but not if it covers the face. Hoodies are to be worn off of the head when in class.
- Transparent clothing is fine, but only if something is worn under it to cover inappropriate areas. Leggings are fine if a longer shirt is over them that covers down to your thighs.
- Tank tops are permitted, as long as they are worn with minimum one inch wide straps.
- Metal jewelry, chains, fasteners, etc. are not banned, as long as they are not too large or heavy so as to cause a safety risk.
- Sunglasses and hoods are only allowed during recess and lunch periods.
- Pants must be worn above the hips and shirts must be worn below the belly button.
- Logo wear is totally cool unless it represents violence, obviously bigoted messages, sexually explicit messages, or any references to them.
- Shorts and skirts are fine as long as the bottom reaches your fingertips.

If a student is in violation of this dress code, the parent will be contacted for an appropriate and timely remedy or the student will be given a piece of clothing to cover the violation. If the violation is extreme, a Behavior Review will be issued.