## **ROGER LUDLOWE MIDDLE SCHOOL**

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Dear RLMS Parents and Guardians:

I am once again asking your assistance for the remainder of the year to help us enforce students wearing appropriate clothing to school. **Please make note of what your child is wearing when they leave the house in the morning.** We take pride in all RLMS students and believe that your dress reflects the way you feel about yourself and the quality of the school. At no time should clothing detract from a student's attention to the academic process. Students wearing attire that is disruptive to the educational process, dangerous to personal safety, or advocates substance abuse or makes sexist statements will be required to change immediately. I did not want to give you the entire list from the RLMS handbook, but I wanted to highlight some "frequent flyer" issues that we are encountering. Below is a sample of some of the very short shorts that we are beginning to see as the weather warms up. Here are some guidelines for appropriate dress:

• Skirts and shorts must have some length and inseam. No short shorts that show private parts (i.e. buttocks). No visible undergarments and skirts and shorts must provide appropriate coverage.

• Clothing should cover undergarments, and provide appropriate coverage at the midriff and neckline. The midriff should not been seen (i.e. lace).

• Shirts with shoulder straps must be worn.

• Hats are not to be worn inside. (Please leave hats in your locker.)

• Clothing that promotes or depicts alcohol, drugs, tobacco, violent behavior, or sexually explicit or suggestive words or pictures are prohibited.

Mr. Purzycki has met with every 8th grade crew recently and he will be meeting with other grade levels after the April break. I will be asking staff and parents to be vigilant around dress code/issues and concerns this spring. Please help your child avoid an awkward need to change his/her clothes during the school day. Many thanks for your support on this one!



Yours in Bermuda shorts~

Megan Tiley Principal Roger Ludlowe Middle School