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HONOR OVER EVERYTHING

**LIVING THE HONOR CODE**

Your choices contribute to the educational experience of other students and the overall atmosphere at BYU. You are the heart of BYU and your personal integrity is priceless.

The Honor Code**ENDING ON YOUR BEST NOTE**

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As a matter of personal commitment, the faculty, administration, staff, and students of Brigham Young University seek to demonstrate in daily living on and off-campus those moral virtues encompassed in the gospel of Jesus Christ, and will:

- + Be honest
- + Live a chaste and virtuous life
- + Obey the law and all campus policies
- + Use clean language
- + Respect others
- + Abstain from alcoholic beverages, tobacco, tea, coffee, and substance abuse
- + Participate regularly in church services
- + Observe Dress and Grooming Standards
- + Encourage others in their commitment to comply with the Honor Code

**Dress & Grooming****HOW SHOULD I PRESENT MYSELF AT BYU?**

The dress and grooming of both men and women should always be modest, neat, and clean, consistent with the dignity adherent to representing The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and any of its institutions of higher education. The Dress and Grooming Standards are as follows:

MEN

- + No beards, sideburns past the earlobes, or extreme haircuts
- + No earrings / body piercings
- + No sleeveless, revealing, or form fitting clothing
- + Hair should be trimmed above the collar, leaving the ears uncovered

WOMEN

- + No sleeveless, strapless, backless, revealing, or form fitting clothing
- + Only one piercing per ear and no body piercings
- + Dresses, skirts, and shorts must be knee-length or longer; there should be no slits above the knee
- + Hairstyles should not be extreme in style or color

The Purpose**"TRUST & ACCOUNTABILITY"
BY PRESIDENT HINCKLEY**

"Some few students resent the fact that the board has imposed a code of honor and a code of dress and behavior to which all are expected to subscribe... I think I can hear a student, perhaps a number of them, saying to a bishop, 'Why do we have to sign these codes? Don't they trust us?' I am reminded of what I heard from a man—a great, strong, and wise man—who served in the presidency of this Church years ago. His daughter was going out on a date, and her father said to her, 'Be careful. Be careful of how you act and what you say.'

She replied, 'Daddy, don't you trust me?'

He responded, 'I don't entirely trust myself. One never gets too old nor too high in the Church that the adversary gives up on him.'

And so, my friends, we ask you to subscribe to these codes and to have the endorsement of your respective bishops and stake presidents in doing so. It is not that we do not trust you. But we feel that you need reminding of the elements of your contract with those responsible for this institution and that you may be the stronger in observing that trust because of the commitment you have made. With every trust there must be accountability, and this is a reminder of that accountability."