

## NEW CHANGES

### Dress and Grooming (All Grade Levels)

The district's dress code teaches grooming and hygiene, prevents disruption, minimizes safety hazards, and maintains a positive learning climate. Students and parents may determine a student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the following:

- Students should wear clothing that is neat, clean, and appropriate for the school environment. Any extreme appearance that may disrupt the normal operations of the school will not be permitted.

#### Hair:

- Hair, including facial hair, must be clean, neat, and well-groomed.
- Unnatural hair coloring is prohibited.
- Hairstyles, designs, or hair colors that are disruptive or a distraction to the school environment are prohibited.

Clothing: All clothing must be neat, clean, and in good repair.

#### Tops:

- Shirts must provide coverage from the collarbone to well below the waist. No cleavage will be shown.
- All shirts must have sleeves. (This requirement does not apply to elementary students.)
- Sheer or see-through materials are prohibited without appropriate material underneath.
- Midriffs may not be visible at any time.
- An excessively long shirttail may be required to be tucked in.

#### Bottoms:

- Pants are to be free of rips and tears above mid-thigh. There should be no visible skin above mid-thigh. Leggings may be worn under your jeans to conceal skin (flesh-colored leggings are not acceptable).
- Pants must be worn so that they fit securely at the waistline so undergarments are not visible if the shirt is raised.
- All skirts/shorts/dresses must be worn to mid-thigh. **Took out running shorts**
- Yoga pants/leggings/jeggings or any other form-fitting athletic gear may ONLY be worn under shirts, skirts, shorts, or dresses that cover up to mid-thigh all the way around the leg. Any leggings/jeggings/yoga pants may have no sheer or open component above mid-thigh.
- Pajamas, swimwear, blankets, and other clothing/shoes that are considered house-type wear are not permitted.

#### Footwear:

- Appropriate footwear must be worn at all times.
- House shoes are not permitted.

Other:

- Sunglasses and head coverings of any kind (including hoodies), except those worn for religious, cultural, or medical reasons may not be worn in the building unless approved by the campus administration.
- Body piercings other than the ear or nose are prohibited. A maximum of two earrings per ear may be worn. Only one nose stud is permitted. No bull rings allowed. Gauges, tongue piercing, facial piercing (i.e. eyebrow piercings, lip piercings, etc.), and body modification implements/jewelry are prohibited. Special note: students are not allowed to cover piercings of any kind with band-aids, tape, etc. Clear spacers MAY be worn as an acceptable alternative.
- Students may not display content related to alcohol, tobacco, drugs, gang-related, or obscene/suggestive slogans. This includes images of skulls or violent acts.
- No earbuds or headphones are visible during school hours.

Additional guidelines may be required for students participating in extracurricular activities. Coaches and activity sponsors will provide these guidelines. Student dress code restrictions may be adjusted for school-wide special occasions (Spirit Days, etc.) upon approval by the building principal. The final interpretation of the dress code will be determined by the building principal.

If the principal determines that a student's grooming or clothing violates the school's dress code, the student will be given an opportunity to correct the problem at school and return to the classroom. If the problem cannot be corrected at school, the principal will work with the student and parent to obtain an acceptable change of clothing for the student in a way that minimizes the loss of instructional time.

Dress Code Violation:

The dress code will be addressed at the beginning of the school year. Dress code violations will be addressed and the student will be given an opportunity to correct the violation either by changing clothes they already have on-campus or by changing into clothes issued by the office. Each time a student is sent to the office for a dress code violation, a disciplinary procedure will take place.

Repeated or severe offenses may result in more serious disciplinary action in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct.