

Student Dress Code

1. Background:

About 3½ years ago we were asked in a community meeting whether or not we would consider a dress code for students. In a few leadership groups it was determined to first establish a clear and defined dress code for professionals and then students. Two years ago, Southwest ISD implemented a professional dress code and began a year-long process in beginning the process for establishing a dress code for students.

2. Process:

Dress codes from inside the San Antonio area, within the region, and across the state were used to determine the range of dress code possibilities. Committees of teachers, staff members, and school leaders were used to make decisions on which dress codes were practical, relevant, and met the needs of the students at Southwest ISD. During the fall semester we were able to develop a draft version of the student dress code. This dress code would go into effect in the 2026-2027 school year. This is a first review of this draft and the draft will go to the Superintendent's Student Advisory for refinement. Then campuses will be asked to share the dress code draft with students and parents for feedback.

3. Fiscal Impact:

None.

4. Recommendation:

Item of Information.

5. Required:

None.