

Mineral Wells

Requirements: Hair

- Shall be neat, clean and well groomed.
- Must not obstruct the student's vision or a view of the student's face in such a way that it does not extend below the upper eyelid or cover the eyes.
- If a hairstyle, coloring, or design causes a disruption to the school and learning environment, the student will be directed to immediately correct the problem. These include but are not limited to spikes, mohawks, and faux hawks (faux hawks must be no taller than 3 inches from the head). This may require changing the hairstyle, the design, or removing the coloring.
- Designs cut in the hair on the side or back of the head must not be more than 3 inches in length and 1 ½ inches wide/tall. Those designs cannot have more than 3 lines or a single design and cannot contain words or anything interpreted as being lewd, offensive, vulgar, obscene, or disruptive to the educational environment or otherwise not follow other dress code requirements.
- Notching of the eyebrows is prohibited.
- Mustaches and beards will be kept neatly trimmed, clean and will not be excessive in nature.

Apparel

- Trench coats, long overcoats, or dusters are prohibited.
- Wearing either identified gang apparel or wearing clothing in a gang-style as identified by law enforcement agencies is prohibited.
- Clothing may not advertise, condone, depict or promote the use of alcohol, tobacco, drugs, guns, ammunition, suicide, death, racism, bigotry, violence, gang topics, the occult, vulgar or obscene language, and/or topics that are gang-related or sexual in nature.
- Sheer clothing is prohibited unless non-revealing clothing that meets dress code is worn underneath.

Shirts and blouses must be buttoned appropriately and include but are not limited to the following:

- The midriff must be covered at all times, including when arms are raised over the student's head and when the student is seated.
- Sleeveless shirts with straps less than the width of a dollar bill or 2 ½ inches are not permitted. **The back must be covered.**

- Spaghetti straps and tank tops are prohibited unless layered under/over an appropriate shirt or blouse.
- Undergarments should not be visible anywhere, including the armholes.
- Oversized or immodestly undersized shirts are not allowed.
- The back of shirts and dress tops and the armholes of shirts will be no lower than the top of the armpits.
- No racerbacks are allowed.
- No t-shirts with cut-off sleeves are allowed.

Pants must fit appropriately over the hips. Sagging or bagging with pants or shorts shall not be permitted. Rolled waist bands are not permitted if rolling causes the midriff to be uncovered.

- Pajamas and/or sleepwear are not permitted
- Leggings, jeggings, tights, or tight-fitting knitwear must always be covered with a garment that meets the dress code.
- Overalls and dress straps must be securely attached over the shoulders.
- No skin above the knee may be showing through any hole/fray in pants/jeans, and IF there are holes or frays above the knee, there must be a permanent patch (sewn in) to cover the hole so no skin is visible. **Holes may not be larger than 3 inches in diameter at or below the knee.**
- No undergarments should be visible above the waistline of the pants/jeans.

Dresses, skirts, and shorts must allow students to be able to stand, sit, and/or bend with modesty.

- The shortest part of these articles shall extend at least to the tip of the longest finger when the arms are held straight at the side and the student is standing straight (without shrugging, bending, or stretching in an attempt to make the length work.)
- Skirts worn with leggings must be fingertip length (shorts or long t-shirts are not acceptable).
- The top of any slits in outer garments shall comply with this same dress code length.
- Shorts, skirts and dresses must not be tight-fitting.
- Shorts must be of a non-revealing fabric or style. Spandex biker shorts or boxer shorts are not allowed.

Footwear

- For reasons of health and safety, shoes must be worn at all times. Extremely high or spiked heels (3 inches) or shoes with metal tips or spikes or any type of cleat are prohibited.
- Slippers, house shoes and skate shoes are prohibited.
- Shoes must be laced and tied or fastened at all times.

- Properly fitted tennis shoes (with an enclosed back) are required for physical education classes.

Jewelry, Accessories and Make-up

- Body piercings, including tongue, nose, or body piercing jewelry, is prohibited. No plugs/gauges that create large holes are to be worn in the earlobes.
- Tattoos must be covered at all times while in the classroom, on school grounds, or at school activities or school sponsored events.
- Chains, including wallet chains, are not allowed.
- Spiked jewelry or jewelry that is noisy, causes a distraction, or that could be dangerous to the student or other individuals is prohibited (i.e. necklaces made out of safety pins and chain links).
- Contacts that are an unnatural eye color (i.e. purple), "wild eye" contacts, or contacts that alter the normal shape and look of the pupil are prohibited.
- Sunglasses or other eyewear that is not for a medical reason is prohibited from being worn inside school buildings.
- Hats, caps, bandanas, visors, or other head coverings may not be worn in the school building except on approved occasions.
- Backpacks must be of reasonable size. They must be able to easily fit in a student locker and cannot have wheels (unless medically necessary per a physician's order). Approximate locker size is 9"X10"X34" (widthXdepthXheight).
- Ultra wild makeup is prohibited. Full face painting is prohibited.
- Writing or drawing on the skin or clothing is prohibited.

Extracurricular Activities:

Extracurricular programs may have additional requirements or guidelines for students participating in those programs.

Additional Information:

Medical conditions, supported by documentation from a physician, or certain recognized religious beliefs may qualify for an exception to certain provisions of the dress code. However, any exceptions must receive prior approval by the campus administrator.

Grooming and dress for special activities and extra-curricular activities are under the direction of the principal (i.e. Prom, Homecoming, Graduation, field trips, "hat" day, etc.).

This dress code provides requirements regarding common situations but cannot cover every style of dress and specific situations that may arise. The District reserves the right to prohibit any clothing or grooming style that the administration determines to be