

DRESS AND GROOMING

The district's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, prevent disruption, and minimize safety hazards. Students and parents may determine a student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the following:

General Guidelines

- Students must come to school neat and clean.
- Pants, slacks, shorts, or skirts are to be worn at the waistline.
- The midriff must be covered.
- Shirts may be worn out unless they are longer than the bottom of the fingertips when the arms are fully extended at the side; otherwise, the shirt must be tucked in.
- Appropriate shoes are to be worn. House shoes are not permitted.
- Appropriate undergarments are to be worn.
- Shorts must be as long as the bottom of the fingertip with the arms fully extended at the side.
- Girls' skirts must be as long as the bottom of the fingertip, with normal movement, with the arm fully extended at the side. If the skirt has a slit, the slit may not be higher than the bottom of the fingertip with the arm fully extended at the side.
- Appropriate earrings or studs are acceptable in girls' ears. Boys may wear no more than one stud. ("Gauges" or very large holes in the ear are not considered appropriate earrings or studs and are not permitted.)

The following clothing/ornamentations are not permitted

- Cut-offs, boxer-style briefs, wind shorts and gym shorts that do not meet the length requirement;
- Provocative or revealing clothing (see-through, tank tops, spaghetti straps, clothes with holes that are cut-up, or exposed backs and fronts, visible underwear, etc.
- Crude or vulgar language or pictures;
- Drug, tobacco, or alcohol related language or pictures;
- Racial/ethnic slurs, or discriminatory language or pictures on clothing, school supplies, or any other student possession
- Gang affiliated clothing (altered hats, shirts, hairnets, belt buckles, etc.)
- Flagging or "posting of colors". No items draped over shoulder, neck or hung out of pocket;
- Oversized clothing (pants, shirts, belts);
- Unhemmed clothing;
- Metal or hard tap shoes;
- Sunglasses inside building unless prescribed by a doctor;
- Headbands, neckbands, leg-bands, armbands, bandanas, etc.
- Hats and caps in building during the instructional day;
- Visible tattoos;
- Earrings on students in any body parts except ears;
- Extreme piercings (gauges, etc.)
- Wallet chains;

- Extreme hairstyles and extreme coloring

THE PRINCIPAL OR DESIGNEE HAS FINAL DETERMINATION AND AUTHORITY OVER A STUDENT'S DRESS.

Items in violation of the dress code may be confiscated. Items held may be reclaimed at the end of the school year. Unclaimed items will be considered donations to the school. Multiple violations or continued refusal to comply will result in disciplinary action.

The elementary school student dress code is the same as the secondary except for the following:

Parents can help the children participate in the physical education program by dressing them appropriately. The P.E. teachers recommend tennis shoes; boots and sandals are not safe. Girls may wear pants or shorts under dresses. The teachers further recommend pullover tops and pants so children can move freely on the floor without the discomfort of buttons and zippers.

If your child comes to school wearing clothes that violate the dress code or in any way violate the dress and grooming standards, s/he may be placed in in-school suspension or isolated until s/he is in compliance. We will make efforts to notify you as soon as possible, and if the student changes clothes or otherwise comes into compliance with the dress and grooming standards, s/he will return to regular classes immediately. *Updated July 2011*