

It is very important that all students follow the dress code. A dress code check will take place as part of the announcement time at each campus. Students in violation will have an opportunity to correct the infraction for corrective clothing. If not corrected by end of period, the student will be sent to the Assistant Principal/Principal.

Dress and Grooming (All Grade Levels)

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:

The District prohibits pictures, symbols, emblems, or writing on clothing and accessories (i.e. jewelry, rings or belt buckles) and but not limited to, but includes shaved or cut eyebrows and shaved images in hair that:

- Present concern for safety (i.e. chains-including billfold chains, dog collars; tears, frays, slits or rips in clothing);
- Are lewd, offensive, vulgar, or obscene;
- Advertise or depict tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, drugs, or any other illegal substance;
- Refer to satanic, cult, or gang activities; or
- Represent death and dismemberment, and/or violence.

Special dress requirements may be imposed for activities that require a uniform dress pattern.

These activities include athletics, physical education classes, band and other musical groups and/or special teams. Where dress and attire are deemed a factor in safety and accident prevention, such as shop classes, labs and activity classes, additional requirements may be imposed by the teacher or director of such activities. Aside from these situations, groups and/or teams, this dress code will be in effect for all school and school related activities.

In some cases where pupil behavior, dress and/or grooming fail to meet the standards as stated, the school administrator has the responsibility to request the student to correct the element involved. Cooperation on the part of the pupil is a must; but if the pupil does not wish to cooperate, the administrator will send the pupil to ISS. Placement at the DAEP would be for the student's repeated failure to cooperate. Students sent to the DAEP will follow the dress code of that program. If a student is sent home for refusing to comply with the dress code, absences will be unexcused while the student is gone from school.

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. If not corrected, the student may be assigned to in-school suspension for the remainder of the day, until the problem is corrected, or until a parent or designee brings an acceptable change of clothing to the school. Repeated offenses may result in more serious disciplinary action in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct.

- **No visible tattoos allowed at school or any school sponsored event. (updated 8/15/17)**
- Head coverings including hats, caps, sweatbands, visors, head coverings or bandanas (neither males nor females) are not allowed on campus, unless worn for medical and/or religious purposes.
- All students will have a school id badge. Students in grades 6-12 will have a school id badge that must be carried with them at all school times.
- Students must wear shoes at all times. Taps, metal plates, or cleats on shoes will not be permitted. Specifically prohibited footwear is bathroom slippers or footwear not intended for outdoors wear or shoes equipped with roller blades/wheels.
- **Torn/distressed clothing exposing skin will not be permitted. This rule to be interpreted at the principal's discretion.**
- All pants, jeans, shorts and skirts must not be worn below the hips.
- Earrings are permitted ***for girls only – boys are not permitted to wear earrings; but jewelry may not be worn in any pierced area of the body except the ear and the maximum number will be three earrings in each ear.***
- Decorative jewelry or other objects that pierce, clip, or stick on any visible part of the body except the ears such as nose studs or rings, tongue studs, or rings, eyebrow studs or rings, lip studs or rings, eyelet plugs, spacers, gages, etc...will not be permitted.
- Students may not wear sunglasses, distracting contacts, or colored glasses during the school day. They are permitted only as a medical requirement verified by a medical provider's written statement.
- **Spandex leggings, jeggings, and yoga pants must be opaque and accompanied by an appropriate top covering to mid-thigh.**
- Muscle shirts, or clothing with spaghetti straps or strapless garments may be worn only with a full shirt (with sleeves) underneath or over.
- Shirts designed to be worn as under garments will not be permitted.
- **Students will not be permitted to wear see-through or low cut clothing or have bare midriffs, bare shoulders, including off the shoulder styles, or backless fashions.**



“Cold shoulder” type tops are considered bare shoulders and are not allowed.

- **Clothing (dresses, skirts, and shorts) must be no shorter than three inches from the top of kneecap and hemmed.**
- Mustaches, beards or goatees must be neatly trimmed.
- **Hair must be at or above the eyebrows, well-groomed and clean at all times. Extreme styles of hair design, colors not naturally occurring, and designs cut into hair will not be permitted. Extreme codes of hair design and color will not be permitted.**
- Pants/jeans/slacks/shorts may not be baggy or saggy or exceed four (4) inches of excess fabric at the thigh; this rule to be interpreted at the principal's discretion.
- Exposed hickeys are prohibited.
- Sponsors of extracurricular activities and events may set individual dress and appearance standards with the approval of the principal.