

## **GENERAL DRESS AND GROOMING GUIDELINES (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.

### **Proper attire for all students**

All High School students must wear a collared shirt, Polo or oxford (dress shirt) style.

Button-ups must be buttoned. Jackets and sweaters are not considered shirts.

Shirts can be any color, solid, plaid or stripe.

Shirts without collars may be worn as long as they meet school spirit attire guidelines (ie. the shirt contains school logo and has school colors).

Shirts/blouses are to be buttoned except for the top two buttons. Zippered clothing must be closed to the same degree as buttoned shirts.

Apparel must be neat, clean, modest and worn appropriately. Clothing that is obviously inappropriate for school activities must not be worn and the decision of the principal will determine the appropriateness of dress appearance.

Appropriate undergarments must be worn at all times. Exposure of undergarments for both male and female students is unacceptable. Clothing worn under standardized dress attire must match the standardized colors of the school (Secondary Levels).

Clothing, makeup, jewelry, patches, tattoos, or designs on clothing must not reflect or suggest in any manner drugs, alcohol, tobacco, sex, vulgar language, gang affiliation, violence, death or satanic ideology.

All tops must be long enough to cover the midriff completely under normal circumstances.

Patches worn in inappropriate places are prohibited.

Sleepwear and/or lingerie are not permissible as outer garments.

Muscle shirts and net shirts are not acceptable

Shorts, approaching the knee, are permitted. (Ex: - Bermuda or walking shorts). Lycra spandex shorts of any length are not permitted. (Ex: - biker shorts.) Tight shorts of any material are prohibited. Boxer shorts are not permitted.

Shoes must be worn at all times. Flip flops, slides, stiletto heels, house slippers and shoes with cleats and/or skate-shoes are prohibited. Safe walking should be the guide for slippery-surfaced shoes and high heels. "Heelies" are not permissible.

No headwear (caps, hats, bandanas, hoods, scarfs, etc. ) may be worn at any time.

Any noise-making articles that are distracting must not be worn or brought to school.

Pants and shorts must be worn securely, at the proper height, around the waist. Exposure of undergarments is unacceptable. No oversized apparel is permitted. Pegged pant legs are prohibited.

Cut, torn or ripped clothing is prohibited.

Frayed clothing cannot reveal skin or undergarments.

Hair must be neat, clean, combed and out of the eyes. A hair style must not be distracting or interfere with the learning environment. Extreme hair styles which include hair that is dyed an unnatural color (ie. Green, purple, orange, etc) will not be permitted.

Wigs are not acceptable as a cover-up for hair not meeting the dress code.

Mohawks/spikes that are extreme or distracting are not permissible.

Symbols or designs shaved into the hair must not reflect or suggest in any manner drugs, alcohol, tobacco, sex, vulgar language, gang affiliation, violence, or death are not permissible.

Hair curlers and/or rollers are not to be worn at school.

The only visible body piercing allowed is earrings for girls. Nose studs are prohibited.

It is not permissible to cover earrings or body piercings with band-aides etc.

Grills are not permissible.

Clear or mesh backpacks only

Blankets are not permissible.

Student ID badges are required at the high school and middle school level grades 7-12. A \$1.00 fee will be assessed for a temporary ID.

Students are encouraged to bring only the amount of money needed for lunch or other expenses to be used on a given day. Students are discouraged from bringing expensive watches, bracelets, or other items that may be stolen or lost.

### **Proper attire for girls**

Girls may wear dresses or blouse without collar but cannot be spaghetti strap, tank top or sheer tops.

The length of skirts, split skirts, and dresses must approach the knee, and allow one to walk, stoop, kneel and sit with modesty.

Tops must have shoulder straps.

Tube tops are not allowed.

Sheer clothing must be worn with an opaque camisole or slip. Low-cut clothing is not permitted. No cleavage should be visible

Leggings/tights may not substitute for pants. Leggings may not be worn with skirts/shorts that do not adhere to the dress code.

### **Proper attire for boys**

Beads of any kind may not be worn in the hair.

Wigs are not permissible.

Facial hair must be clean-shaven at all times. Beards, goatees or mustaches will not be permitted. Sideburns must be neatly trimmed to extend no lower than the tip of the earlobe.

Earrings and studs may not be worn and must not be brought to school.

Oversized shirts must be tucked into pants with no "blousing." Shirts with tails must be tucked in at all times.