

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:

- Students should not wear clothes so revealing, or in such a state of disrepair, as to distract from the educational environment. Parents are cautioned that halter tops, fish-net type shirts, bare midriff tops, tops or dresses with extreme necklines, dresses with high slits, and extremely tight pants tend to distract from the educational setting and are not permitted.
- Shorts and female skirts must be appropriately sized, extend to the middle of the thigh, and be worn at the waist. Shorts and skirts cannot have any frayed edges, whether it is frayed personally, professionally, or accidentally.
- Jeans, pants, wind pants, or sweatpants cannot have holes, rips, tears, or fraying above the knees. These garments must be appropriately sized and worn at the waist at all times – sagging and bagging are prohibited and violations will be determined by administration. Tights or leggings are unacceptable by themselves and cannot be worn in place of pants.
- Males must wear shirts with sleeves.
- Hoodies and sweatshirts must appropriately sized (i.e., not below the fingertips). Hoods are not to be worn in school. Wearing a hood can result in the garment being confiscated and a student losing the right to wear hooded clothing.
- Shoulder straps on female shirts must be at least 2.5+ inches wide for one garment and must cover undergarments. Off-the-shoulder shirts are prohibited.
- No clothing should be worn so as to reveal undergarments.
- Pajamas or any clothing designed for sleep is not allowed.
- Shoes must be worn at all times. Impermissible shoes include, but are not limited to, any footwear with partial or full cloth bottom, such as house shoes/slippers generally worn with sleepwear.
- Hair shall be clean and well groomed at all times. Only natural hair colors are allowed, including hair extensions.
- Boys' hair shall be out of the eyes, no lower than the bottom of the earlobe on the sides, and no lower than the top of the collar of a standard t-shirt. Building administration retains the privilege to determine appropriate hairstyles (i.e., fads). For example, boys shall not wear ponytails, "tails", Mohawks, faux-hawks, any style that pushes hair to the center of the head, or shaven designs, including in the eyebrows. Boys may shave their heads, but must shave the entire scalp if they choose to shave any part of the head.
- Picks or combs are not to be worn in the hair.
- Rows are allowed in the hair as long as the rows do not create designs (must be straight lines), they stay tight to the scalp, and follow length guidelines as stated above.
- Girls may not have extreme hairstyles or colors (only natural colors), including styles which obstruct a teacher's view of the student's eyes.

- Male students shall be clean-shaven at all times. Mustaches, goatees, long sideburns, or beards are not permitted. Sideburns must be above the bottom of the earlobe and cannot exceed 1 inch wide.
- Boys are not permitted to wear makeup, fingernail polish, facial jewelry or earrings. Girls are not permitted to wear any facial jewelry except for earrings. Spacers are considered a form of jewelry and will not be allowed at any time. Any “body piercing” for boys or girls is not permitted. Visible tattoos are not allowed.
- Gothic jewelry is not permitted. Including but not limited to collars, bracelets, and chains. Black fingernail polish should not be worn by males or females and students are not to dress in the gothic fashion.
- Extreme belt buckles will not be allowed (i.e., studded, spiked, LED display, bottle openers, or any buckle that causes a distraction).
- Tinted glasses are not to be worn in school unless medically prescribed for sensitive eyes.
- Hats, caps, scarves, bandanas, or any head covering shall not be worn in the building.
- Gloves are not allowed in the building.
- Chains are not allowed.
- Prohibited designs are pictures, emblems, clothing, or writing on clothing that are lewd, offensive, vulgar, or obscene; depict the occult; promote violence; represent gang membership; advertise tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, drugs, bars/liquor stores, or any other substance prohibited under school policy; or exhibit innuendo to any of the above areas.

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.