

## **Dress Code Standard for Girls**

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The student dress code is established to teach responsibility in good grooming and hygiene, instill discipline, prevent disruption, avoid safety hazards, and to teach respect for authority.

Students and parents may determine a student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the standards below. School administrators, faculty, and staff will be responsible for enforcing the student dress code according to the following standards:

- 1.** Students are not allowed to wear clothing that advertises tobacco, alcohol, drugs, violence, cult related material and/or is sexually suggestive or demeaning to humans. This includes all gang-related/suggested attire including bandannas.
- 2.** Dresses, pants, walking shorts may be worn and shall be no higher than 2 1/2 inches (approximately width of a dollar bill or not above extended fingers on outstretched arm) above the knee (when standing or bending) and present a modest appearance. Roll-up, athletic, yoga, bicycle or other similar tight-fitting shorts/pants are prohibited from being worn. Pants and shorts are to be worn in an appropriate manner. The waistband on pants shall be worn at the natural waistline (above the hips). Excessively baggy pants or shorts may not be worn. Clothing that is punctured, ripped, torn or shredded that results in the exposure of skin 2.5 inches above the knee or undergarments is prohibited. Cutoff shorts must be hemmed and not frayed.
- 3.** Blouses/shirts and tops that show the midriff are not permitted. Any tops that show the midriff when hands are fully extended straight up in the air will be considered too short and will not be allowed. Clothing considered extremely tight and/or revealing may not be worn. The armhole size on shirts and blouses shall be appropriate and not revealing. Tank tops, muscle shirts, and crop tops may only be worn if accompanied by a separate fully covering top worn underneath. Bare backs, bare shoulders or midriffs are not permitted.<sup>35</sup>
- 4.** Girls are allowed to wear earrings in the lower part of the ear lobe. Distracting neck chains, nose studs, nose rings or other body-piercing objects are not allowed.
- 5.** Appropriate footwear must be worn on campus at all times. (Bedroom slippers, house shoes, shoes with rollers or skating inserts are examples of inappropriate footwear.)
- 6.** Hats/caps and sunglasses may not be worn inside buildings.
- 7.** Students' hair shall be clean and groomed and of a color that is natural to humans. Hair that is dyed/colored in a manner of color that is unnatural (green, blue, etc) or is styled in a radically different manner is prohibited.
- 8.** Any apparel/dress/appearance considered by the school administration to be disruptive, inappropriate or gang related is prohibited; this includes chains, jewelry and wallet chains over 6 inches. Tattoos are not allowed.
- 9.** The principal, in cooperation with the sponsor, coach, or other person in charge of an extra-curricular activity, may regulate the dress and grooming of students who participate in the

activity. Students who violate dress and grooming standards established for such an activity may be removed or excluded from the activity for a period determined by the principal or sponsor, and may be subject to other disciplinary action, as specified in the Student code of Conduct.

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.

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- 1.** Students are not allowed to wear clothing that advertises tobacco, alcohol, drugs, violence, cult related material and/or is sexually suggestive or demeaning to humans. This includes all gang-related/suggestive attire including bandannas. Walking shorts may be worn and shall be no higher than 2 1/2 inches above the knee (when standing or bending) and present a modest appearance. Roll-up, athletic, bicycle or other similar tight-fitting shorts are prohibited from being worn.
- 2.** Pants and shorts are to be worn in an appropriate manner. The waistband on pants shall be worn at the natural waistline (above the hips) with a belt. Excessively baggy pants or shorts may not be worn. Clothing that is punctured, ripped, torn or shredded that results in the exposure of 36 skin 2.5 inches above the knee or undergarments is prohibited. Cutoff shorts must be hemmed and not frayed.

**3.** Shirts and sweaters that are not tucked in may not extend past the opening of the front pant pocket. The armhole size on shirts shall be appropriate and not revealing. Shirts of the undergarment type may be worn as an outer garment only during Physical Education/Athletic periods. Fish net, muscle shirts, shirts that show a midriff, and or Tank Tops may not be worn. All button type shirts will be buttoned at all times. Shirts, which have been punctured, torn, shredded, written on or which as a result of wear and tear have been rendered unkempt in appearance are prohibited. Appropriate undergarments must be worn.

**4.** Boys are not allowed to wear earrings, distracting neck chains, nose studs, nose rings or other body-piercing objects. Wallet chains over 6" long are prohibited.

**5.** Appropriate footwear must be worn on campus at all times. (Bedroom slippers, house shoes, shoes with rollers or skating inserts are examples of inappropriate footwear.)

**6.** Hats/caps and sunglasses may not be worn inside buildings.

**7.** All boys must be clean-shaven; beards and mustaches are not allowed. Male students' hair shall not extend beyond the ear opening on the sides nor beyond the top of a dress shirt collar in the back. No "tails" of any kind will be allowed for male students. Students' hair shall be clean and groomed and of a color that is natural to humans. Hair that is dyed/colored in a manner of color that is unnatural (green, blue, etc) or is styled in a radically different manner is prohibited. Symbols and/or numbers may not be cut or shaved into the hair. Hair may not extend over the top of the eyebrow, hang over the face and eyes or be distracting to others. Sideburns shall be no longer than the bottom of the ear and no wider than 1 inch.

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