San Augustine Middle and High School Dress Code

The San Augustine Middle and High School dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, instill discipline, prevent disruption, avoid safety hazards, and to teach respect for authority and the work environment. Students shall be dressed and groomed in a manner that is clean and neat, not a distraction, and in a way that does not create a health or safety hazard. The Middle and High School prohibits any clothing or grooming that in the principal’s judgment may reasonably be expected to cause distraction, interfere with normal school operations, or create a safety hazard. The student and parent may determine the student’s personal dress and grooming standards, provided they comply with the general guidelines.

The Following Are Not Allowed:

- Yoga pants, leggings, tights, or any other tight-fitting style knitwear.
- Pants and skirts worn below waist level.
- Unrepaired holes or tears in pants or any other clothing (Any small hole or frayed area must be repaired with a permanent patch. Undergarments will not be considered appropriate to cover the holes.)
- Unhemmed pants and shorts.
- Sweat pants, warm-ups, athletic shorts, joggers, and wind pants.
- Clothing designed for underwear or sleepwear.
- Any undergarment that is not concealed including straps and boxers
- All apparel shorter than 2 inches above the knee.
- Display of midriffs, tops or dresses with extreme necklines, see-through outfits, strapless or shoulder dresses, or revealing styles (Tops cannot reveal any portion of undergarments or cleavage.
- Shirts worn buttoned (Shirts shall have a pronounced sleeve.)
- Clothing, grooming, and overall appearance that reflect gang affiliation by any means, whether intentional or unintentional.
- Clothing articles which depicts or advertises-alcohol, tobacco products, drugs, violence, or behavior perceived to be lewd, offensive, vulgar or obscene
- Hats, caps, bandannas, sweatbands, or any other head covering, including hoods on clothing, grooming tools or curlers worn inside the building.
- House shoes, flip flops, slides, jandals, Crocs without straps, and shower shoes.
- Sunglasses unless prescribed by physician.
- Piercing of the body with the exception of ears and small stud nose rings. Jewelry that distracts from the instructional environment.
- Hair worn in eyes or styled or cut in a way that causes a distraction in the classroom
- Visible tattoos of any type and drawings/writing on the body.

Additional Guidelines Include:

- Lanyards with the official school ID are to be worn during breakfast and lunch times.
- Cell phones are only to be used before school or after the dismissal bell. High School students only may use cell phones during assigned lunch times. Middle School students will not be allowed to use cell phones during the instructional day.
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- The District dress code applies to SAISD students during regular school hours and in attendance to all school activities in and outside the school district including students participating in extracurricular and co-curricular activities.

Principal discretion is implied for each bulleted item listed above. The principal may consider for disapproval extreme displays of dress and grooming that are defined in the dress code. As previously stated, San Augustine Middle and High School prohibits any clothing or grooming that in the principal’s judgement may reasonably be expected to cause distraction, interfere with normal school operations, or create a safety hazard. If you have reason to believe that you may not be adhering to the dress code, please consult your campus principal prior to coming to school to avoid any disruption to your daily instructional schedule.

If the principal determines that a student’s grooming or clothing violates the schools dress code, the student will be given an opportunity to correct 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 designee brings acceptable change of clothing to the school. Repeated offenses may result in more serious disciplinary action in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct.