

2018-19 DRESS AND GROOMING

The District's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, instill discipline, prevent disruption, avoid safety hazards, and teach respect for authority. Students shall be dressed and groomed in a manner that is clean and neat and that will not be a health or safety hazard to themselves or others. The District prohibits any clothing or grooming that in the principal's judgment may reasonably be expected to cause disruption of or interference with normal school operations.

General Statements:

1. The District prohibits pictures, emblems, or writing on clothing that:
 - a. Are lewd, offensive, vulgar, or obscene
 - b. Advertise or depict tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, drugs, or any other substance prohibited under policy.
2. Sheer or see-through garments may not be worn.
3. Appropriate undergarments must be worn and must be concealed by outer garments.
4. Pajama pants or similar garments may not be worn.
5. Pants or shorts shall be appropriately sized and securely fitted at the waist.
6. Shirts and blouses shall be appropriately sized. No skin shall be visible between the shirt/top and pants, shorts, or skirt while standing, sitting, or bending.
7. Footwear must be worn. House shoes are not acceptable.
8. Caps, hats, or other headwear (including hoodies) shall not be worn in the school building.
9. Tattoos must be covered at school.
10. No jewelry requiring piercing is allowed, other than girls may wear earrings. Spacers are not allowed, even if they are clear.
11. No earlobe gauges may be worn at school.
12. Trench coats, dusters, or other similarly fitting garments may not be worn.
13. No holes are allowed in pants/jeans five inches or more above the knee.
14. Lines or designs are not allowed in eyebrows.
15. Students' hair must be clean, neatly groomed, and combed out of the eyes. In grades 2-12:
 - a. No designs or symbols may be cut in the hair, other than a single, thin, straight line (hard line or hard part).
 - b. Hair color must be a natural color. Only natural colored highlights are allowed.
 - c. Mohawks or other extreme styles are not permitted.
16. In grades 6-12, tights, leggings, yoga pants or any similar articles of clothing may not be worn unless an outer garment is worn that extends, at least, five inches above the knee on all sides while standing.
17. For grades 6-12, shorts must extend, at least, five inches above the knee.

Girls:

1. Low cut dresses, blouses, or tops are not allowed.
2. No halter tops, crop tops, backless tops, or strapless tops are allowed. In grades 2-12, spaghetti straps are not allowed.
3. For grades 6-12, dresses and skirts must extend, at least, three inches above the knee on all sides.
4. For grades 6-12, slit dresses and skirts must not reveal any part of the leg three inches above the knee.

Boys:

1. No facial hair will be allowed. Sideburns may not come below the bottom of the ear and may not be wide-flared.
2. Buttoned shirts must be appropriately buttoned unless an undershirt is worn.
3. Slit shirts will not be permitted. Cut or ripped sleeves are not allowed. In grades 6-12, shirts must have sleeves.
4. In grades 2-12, hair:
 - a. Shall not touch the eyebrows in front
 - b. Shall not extend more than one inch below the lobe of the ear on the sides
 - c. Shall not extend more than one inch past the shirt collar when the head is in an upright position.
 - d. May not be worn in a ponytail, top knot, bun, or similar styles.

The student and parent may determine the student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the guidelines set out above.

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. The student may be assigned to in-school suspension until any violations are corrected. Repeated offenses may result in more serious disciplinary action in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct.

Dress Code Exceptions:

1. The principal may make exceptions to the dress code for special events, such as spirit days, field days, etc.
2. The principal, in cooperation with the sponsor, coach, or other person in charge of an extracurricular 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.