

Kilgore ISD Secondary School Dress Code 2019-2020

The District's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, instill discipline, prevent disruption, avoid safety hazards, and teach respect for authority.

Student dress reflects the quality of the school and affects students' conduct. 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. Any article of clothing, jewelry, body decoration, or hair style extreme enough to create a distraction or disturb the normal routine of school shall be deemed inappropriate. The district prohibits any clothing or grooming that, in the campus administration's judgement, may reasonably be expected to cause disruption of or interference with normal school operations.

Examples of inappropriate and unapproved choices of clothing, jewelry, body decorations, and hair-style include:

General:

1. All forms of headgear (hats, caps, bandanas, hoods, etc)
2. Dark glasses (except by written order of a physician)
3. Tattoos deemed inappropriate by administration must be covered (**See #8**)
4. Any gang-related items
5. Pierced jewelry may be worn only in the ear. Plugs must be worn in gauged holes.
6. Hair **MUST BE** neat, clean, and well-groomed, and of **NATURAL** color (brown, red, black, blonde). It should **NOT** cover the eyes; styled in any manner which attracts undue attention, or spiked more than 2 inches.
7. Dog collars with spikes or studs, spiked bracelets, or exposed chains (other than small necklaces)
8. Obscene language or symbols, provocative pictures, advertising of tobacco, alcohol or narcotics on clothing, jewelry, or exposed body parts. Radically related symbols, emblems, pictures, words or slogans.

Shirts/Blouses/Tops:

1. Clothing that exposes bare midribs. Midribs must be fully covered when arms are extended above the student's head.
2. Tank tops or clothing that has low necklines or low underarms.
3. See-through, provocative, or excessively tight clothing.
4. Pajama tops
5. Dusters, long coats, or blankets

Shorts/Pants/Bottoms:

1. In grades 3-12, dresses, skirts, split garments, and shorts that are shorter than 3" above the knee.
2. Excessively loose clothing resulting in "sagging"
3. Pajama bottoms
4. Torn clothing, showing skin above the knee
5. Leggings/yoga/form-fitting pants (unless top or dress is no shorter than 3" above the knee)

Shoes:

1. Appropriate shoes/boots are to be worn at all times. NO house slippers.

*Some clothing may be considered permissible ONLY on special "dress-up" days. You will receive letters from teachers on these occasions.

**Any other dress deemed inappropriate by campus administration will not be allowed. The dress code will be amended, if needed, as fashions change.

*****Final decisions on the appropriate school dress rest with the Campus Administration. A student shall be given an opportunity to correct the dress code problem at school. If not corrected, he/she shall be subject to appropriate discipline.**