

DRESS AND GROOMING

Dress code at the intermediate level (gr. 4-6) is established to instill discipline, prevent disruptions, avoid safety hazards, and teach respect for authority. The dress code is subject to revision at any time in order to accommodate current trends and fashions. Any revisions must be approved by the Brownsboro I.S.D. Board of Trustees and be communicated to students and parents.

Interpretation and enforcement of the dress and grooming code will be at the discretion of campus administrators.

Students who are in violation of the dress and grooming code may be provided clothing by the school. If a student is unable or unwilling to correct the problem, then he/she will be assessed an appropriate consequence.

GENERAL GUIDELINES:

1. Any article of clothing, accessory, hair color, or hair style that creates a distraction or disturbs the normal routine of school shall be deemed inappropriate.
2. Any clothing which fits too tightly is not allowed.
3. Clothing that is too baggy or loose is not allowed.
4. See-through, transparent, or revealing clothing is not allowed. Undergarments or underwear should not be visible.
5. Clothing should be hemmed, and must not have any holes above 3 inches from the knee.
6. All clothing must be worn as it was intended to be worn.
7. No chains, spikes, straps, studs, safety pins, or other potentially dangerous adornments are allowed on any item of clothing or accessory.
8. Students are not permitted to have a knife or weapon of any kind on campus.

BOTTOMS: shorts, skirts, dresses, pants, jumpers, capri's, etc. CAN NOT HAVE HOLES ABOVE 3 INCHES FROM THE KNEE. IF LEGGINGS, JEGGINGS, or TIGHTS are worn, covering garment must be MID-THIGH.

- All shorts, skorts, skirts, dresses, and jumpers must be no shorter than 3 inches above the knee (both in the front and back) and must be hemmed or cuffed. Quick-release style, hip-huggers, low-rise, or extremely baggy clothing is NOT allowed.
- All bottom garments must be worn at the waist or true hip.
- Skirts and skorts may have a kick-pleat or slit which opens no higher than 3 inches above the knee.
- The bottom of the pants must not drag the ground, nor flare past the end of the toe.
- Pajama bottoms are NOT allowed.
- Overalls must have both straps fastened.

TOPS:

- Students may not wear T-shirts or other articles of clothing that advertise alcoholic beverages, tobacco products, illicit drugs, etc., have vulgar, suggestive, racial, or otherwise offensive slogans, comments, signs, or pictures on them, or have pictures of persons on them that fail to meet the standards of the school and/or community.
- All shirts, blouses, or tops must have a neckline that does not expose cleavage.
- Tops must be long enough to cover the midriff; when arms are raised above the head, no skin shall be visible at the waistline.
- The straps of a tank top should have a width of 3 fingers.

FOOTWEAR:

- Skates, skateboards, or skate-like shoes are NOT permitted on campus.
- Handwriting/drawing will not be allowed on any item of clothing, including shoes.

JEWELRY/ACCESSORIES:

- No body piercing (including tongue rings) is allowed except for earrings on female students. Spacers or stints may not be worn on any body piercing.

- Male students are not allowed to wear earrings, nor are males allowed to cover an earring or wear a spacer/stint.
- Female students may wear no more than two pairs of earrings (all at the discretion of administrators).
- Gloves (exclusively for decoration) may not be worn during the school day.
- No body art, tattoos, handwriting, or drawings of any kind will be allowed on the skin, clothing, backpacks, shoes, or accessories.
- Students may not WEAR caps, hats, headbands, bandanas, or other head coverings to the school building(s).
- Students are not permitted to wear sunglasses in the building unless prescribed by a physician.
- Male students are not allowed to wear nail polish or make up.

HAIR/MAKEUP:

- Hair should be kept clean and neat; the length should not interfere with the student's ability to read, see, or write. Hair (bangs) for male students should be kept trimmed/cut so that it does not fall below the eyebrows. Female student's hair should be pulled away from the face and styled so that the eyes are not covered. For male and female students, exotic colors that tend to be distracting, including but not limited to blue, green, purple, pink, etc., are not allowed.

Exceptions: It should be noted that sponsors of extracurricular activities might, with the approval of the building principal, impose other grooming and dress standards. In order to accommodate special days (e.g., Homecoming/Red Ribbon Week, fundraising efforts), the campus administration may alter the dress code. Any special clothing worn to accommodate an injury must have principal approval.

Consequences: If the campus administration determines that a student's grooming violates the dress code, the student may be given an opportunity to correct the problem at school. Repeated dress code violations could result in more severe consequences.