

2018-2019 BONHAM ISD DRESS AND GROOMING GUIDELINES

The district's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, prevent disruption, and minimize safety hazards. Students shall come to school looking clean and neat and wearing clothing and exhibiting grooming that will not be a health or safety hazard to the student or others. The district prohibits pictures, emblems, or writings on clothing or on the body that are lewd, offensive, vulgar, obscene or gang-related; or that advertise or depict tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, drugs, or any other substance prohibited by law or by Bonham ISD policy FNCF (LOCAL); and prohibits any clothing or grooming that in the campus principal's judgment may reasonably be expected to cause disruption of or interference with normal school operations. Piercing, caps, glasses and items of the same sort that are not appropriate may be confiscated and returned at a later date. The school district shall not be responsible for items that have been confiscated. Any decisions on dress code violations will be made by the campus principal and will be final.

Students and parents may determine a student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the following:

Upper Body Garments:

- Sleeveless shirts must be a minimum of three fingers wide across the top strap; no spaghetti straps or racer back shirts are allowed
- Must be long enough to be tucked in and remain tucked in when seated (no crop tops)
- Must cover the chest region (no visible cleavage)
- Must not be see-through clothing (mesh, etc.)

Lower Body Garments:

- Must be fingertip length when standing
- Must be free from holes and splits above the knee unless there is fabric underneath the holes that prevents any visible skin or undergarments. (Ex: Leggings may be worn under jeans or a patch of fabric may be sewn underneath holes.)
- Waistband of garment must be worn at or near the waist (i.e., not sagging below the hips)
- Leggings, jeggings, tights, spandex, yoga pants or bottoms made of other form fitting material may be worn as long as the shortest point of the shirt/top worn with them is long enough to cover the buttocks and pelvic areas when standing.

Other Dress Code Requirements:

- Pajama bottoms/pants may NOT be worn.
- Students returning to class from athletics and/or physical education class must be in compliance with the dress code before entering the classroom.
- Appropriate shoes must be worn; appropriateness will be determined at the campus level by campus administrators.
- Hats, caps, headbands, brims, bandanas or any other headwear deemed inappropriate are not to be worn inside campus buildings during the school day.
- Hoods are not to be worn inside the building during the school day.
- Sunglasses are not to be worn inside the building unless prescribed by a doctor.
- Girls may wear rings or studs in the EARS ONLY. (No other piercing is allowed.)
- Boys may wear earrings no larger than a dime in their EARS ONLY. (No other piercing is allowed.)
- Facial hair must be neatly groomed.
- Hair style, cut and color should not be distracting or attract excessive attention.
- Chains, including wallet chains, are prohibited.

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.