

DRESS AND GROOMING

The district's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, prevents disruption, and minimizes safety hazards. School Extracurricular Uniforms are pre approved attire and are not in violation of the student dress code. Students and parents may determine a student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the following:

- All students' hair shall be clean, neat, and well groomed. Only natural color hair dyes will be allowed. There will be no Mohawk styled cuts and no Mohawk styling of the hair. Hairstyles shall not in the opinion of the administration cause a health or safety hazard or cause a disruption of the educational process.
- Students are expected to wear clothing and undergarments in keeping with their gender.
- Shoes must be worn. House shoes or slippers will not be permitted. Standard "flip-flops" are permitted.
- Tops and shirts must cover the waistline (will be measured by standing upright with the arms held perpendicular to the body - must not be able to see skin). The torso must be covered at all times in the standing and sitting position with appropriate length and thickness of outer garment. Shirts with plunging necklines (one that falls below a line from armpit to armpit), bare backs, and large armholes are not acceptable school attire.
- Tank tops for girls may be worn if the straps are NOT considered to be "spaghetti straps".
- Boys shall not wear sleeveless shirts. Tank tops may not be worn unless over a regulation shirt.
- Pants that reveal undergarments at any time may not be worn.
- Clothing must not be transparent or have holes in them that reveal skin above the knees. Skirts, and dress lengths must be at least one hand-width above the knee cap.
- Earrings are permitted in the ears; however no lobular inner loops are permitted for safety concerns. Body piercings must be covered by clothing. Facial piercings are not permitted.
- Shorts must be at least one hand-width above the knee cap. Bicycle shorts may not be worn. Jeans with holes or distressed material above the knees must not reveal skin at any time.
- Leggings are not permitted unless a skirt of appropriate length and thickness is worn over them. Leggings are not to be worn as pants. Outer garments worn over leggings must meet dress code (appropriate length, thickness, and no holes above the knees).
- Yoga style pants are not to be worn to school.
- Pajama bottom and tops are not permitted.
- Clothing must not have any writing or symbols that are lewd, offensive, vulgar, obscene, gothic, or that advertise any of the following: alcohol, drugs, other prohibited substances, sex or profanity/obscenity. Additionally, there should be no references that would inflame any group (for example, the Confederate flag would be inappropriate).

- Hats, caps, wave caps, headbands, bandanas, rollers, or any other headdress may not be worn in the building. Girls may wear decorative scarves, headbands and ribbon hair bands, not sweatbands or head covering.
- Sunglasses may not be worn.
- Spiked jewelry and chains may not be worn on campus, including wallet chains.
- Tattoos must be free of slogans advertising tobacco, alcoholic beverages or illegal substances and will not display anything derogatory, controversial, subliminal, vulgar or gang related.

Any clothing or grooming that in the Principal's judgment may reasonably be expected to cause disruption of or interference with normal school operations is prohibited.

If a student violates the dress code in regard to shorts more than two times they will be banned from wearing shorts for the remainder of that semester.

Failure to comply with the Honey Grove Independent School District Dress Code will result in disciplinary action. Teachers can collect the banned item and turn it into the principal's office. The principal will determine whether to return the item at the end of the day for the student to take home, or whether the parent will be contacted to pick up the item.

Any student in violation of the dress code will either change into school supplied clean and appropriate clothing (sweatpants and/or "T'Shirt) or be removed from the classroom setting. Any absence resulting from dress code violations will be unexcused and fall under the attendance policies and truancy laws. Upon the 3rd offense the student will be assigned to ISS.