

## **DRESS CODE**

The District's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, instill discipline, prevent disruption, avoid safety hazards, and teach respect for authority. A student should be dressed and groomed in a manner that is clean and neat and that will not be a health or safety hazard to self or others. Students are expected to promote good citizenry in their attire and grooming standards. Students shall keep their hair, beards and mustaches neatly groomed.

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. The student and parent may determine the student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided they comply with the District's dress code.

Students **are not** permitted to wear:

1. Clothing which is extremely revealing of the body:
  - (a) Midriffs
  - (b) Strapless or backless
  - (c) Tank tops
  - (d) Pants/jeans where skin can be seen through a frayed area, tear, or hole
  - (e) Shorts and mini-skirts
    - [1] Girls' skirts or dresses are appropriate if they are no higher than 3 inches above the kneecap, including any slits in the hem.
    - [2] Girls' and boys' shorts are appropriate if they are not more than 5 inches above the kneecap.

**IF IN DOUBT, DO NOT WEAR IT.**

  - (f) Drill team and cheerleader uniforms are appropriate during pep rallies and games but not in classrooms and hallways.
  - (g) Bike shorts, gym shorts, and leggings/tights are not permitted unless worn under school-appropriate clothing.
2. Displays on the body (tattoos-permanent or temporary) or displays on clothing that have writing or pictures depicting or advocating:
  - (a) Obscene/suggestive gestures or language
  - (b) Drugs, alcohol, or tobacco
  - (c) Violence
  - (d) Gang activities
3. Caps, hats, sweat bands, and skull caps during regular school hours and at indoor nonathletic school events (i.e. concerts, banquets, etc.). At school athletic events, headwear may be worn as long as it cannot be extended below the ears.
4. Sunshades in the building (unless prescribed by a doctor)
5. House slippers or footwear that is noisy
6. Piercing objects that the principal determines are distracting to the learning environment
7. Bandannas, wash cloths, or rags at school or school activities
8. Pants that are sagging
9. Wallet chains, belts of chains, or spiked jewelry
10. Trench coats or dusters

**A school-appropriate shirt must be worn under all outer wear.**

Girls' tops must fall at least one inch below the waist whether standing or sitting. Boys' shirts that fall below the bottom of the buttocks must be tucked in.

If a belt is worn, it must be worn through the belt loops and be buckled at all times. Belts must be of appropriate length and may not be wider than the belt loops. Belts may not have metal studs, brads, or other adornments that could be perceived as a hazard.

**Students assigned to the PASS campus are required to adhere to stricter standards of dress and grooming.**

A student assigned to attend the discipline alternative school (PASS) shall wear:

1. a long sleeve gray shirt tucked into the pants at all times,
2. khaki pants, tan color only, that are the student's correct size, with a belt (plain black or brown).  
No designs or decorations are allowed on the shirt, pants, or belt,
3. black or white (main color) shoes, black or white shoelaces (no colors)

PASS grooming standards:

Students must have their hair cut above the collar or in a ponytail at all times. The hair must be cut above the eyebrows and hair color must be the original color the student had when enrolling at PASS.

Mustaches, beards or goatees and sideburns must be neatly trimmed and students must have a neat appearance.

If the principal determines that a student's dress or grooming violates the dress code, the student may be given an opportunity to correct the problem at school. If not corrected, the student will be assigned to ISS for the remainder of the day or until the problem is corrected. Repeated offenses may result in more serious disciplinary action.

The principal, in cooperation with the sponsor or coach, may regulate the dress and grooming of students who participate in an extracurricular activity.

The above standards are meant to promote community values and enhance a safe orderly environment, and shall not infringe on any individual's religious beliefs or protected free speech.