

Adrian
Independent School District
2019-2020
Student Dress Code



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Dress and Grooming Code

We expect students to come to school in clothes that are clean and neat, and we expect students to exhibit basic cleanliness and grooming that will not be a health or safety threat to themselves or to other students or staff. We do not permit students to wear clothing with pictures, emblems, or writing that is lewd, offensive, vulgar, or obscene or that advertises or depicts tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, drugs, or any other substance that students are prohibited from having or using at school. The principal makes decisions about dress and grooming violations.

Appropriate Attire

Male students must wear clean clothing (shirt, slacks, jeans, trousers) that is not torn or damaged. Female students must wear clean clothing (dress, blouse, shirt, skirt, slacks, jeans) that is not torn or damaged. Pants must be worn with the waist at waist level, and shirts or blouses must be buttoned. All students must wear shoes and appropriate undergarments. Shorts must be at least fingertip length for both male and female students. Jeans with holes must also meet the fingertip rule.

Appropriate Grooming

All students will exemplify grooming standards that project a positive image for the student, school, and District. Hair must be clean and neatly groomed and worn in a style that does not cover the eyes or eyebrows.

Male students' hair must be neatly trimmed and worn in a style above the eyebrows that exposes the earlobes and has a length above the top of the collar of a button-up shirt or crew-neck tee-shirt. Male students must be free from facial hair. Sideburns may extend no lower than the bottom of the ear and must be trimmed in a straight line without flares at the bottom.

Inappropriate Grooming

The following hairstyles and colorings are inappropriate grooming for any student at school or at a school-related or school-sanctioned activity:

- Man-buns
- ponytails for boys
- spikes or other sculptured hair styles.
- Neon or other hair colorings or bleaching whether permanent or temporary, in a shade or tone that the principal determines to be unnatural, such as neon orange, neon pink, magenta, any shade of blue, any shade of green, violet, purple, or white.

- Hair coloring or bleaching for the purpose of creating extreme differences in color, shade, or tone between sections of individual strands of hair or areas of hair on the head.
- Patterns or designs shaved or cut into the hair e.g. "mohawks," partially shaved heads, etc.

Inappropriate or Unacceptable Attire

The following clothing and accessories are inappropriate attire for any student at school or at a school-related or school-sanctioned activity:

- Shorts or skirts shorter than the length of all fingertips, unless the student is in a primary grade (K-3).
- Pants worn below the natural waistline or sagging, bagging, or extremely loose pants.
- Shirts or blouses that reveal undergarments or cleavage, midriff length tops that leave exposed skin, or halter tops.
- Exposed undergarments.
- Bedtime attire, pajamas, undershirts, or undergarments worn as outerwear, e.g., boxer shorts.
- Clothing made of any see-through material, fishnet, or very loosely-woven fabric, unless other clothing is worn underneath.
- Shirts or blouses that are split up the side such that the vent or split is unfinished or extends above the natural waistline.
- Un-hemmed or cut-off clothing of any kind.
- Muscle shirts, shirts with oversized armholes, or backless shirts, blouses, or tops.
- Any clothing made of Spandex or similar body-hugging fabric or material.
- Thongs, slippers, or house shoes.
- Sunglasses, hats, or caps worn inside a school building.
- Hair rollers, hair curlers, plastic hair bags, and other similar grooming items worn inside a school building

Clothing with Words or Pictures

Clothing worn at school or school-related or school-sanctioned activities may not display printed statements or pictures:

- that are vulgar or obscene
- that are related to, or depict sexual activity
- that promote hate or violence in general or are directed at any specific person or group of persons;
- that are related to or depict the use of drugs, alcohol, or tobacco.

Jewelry, Tattoos, Body Piercings

Students may not wear on the outside of their clothing any jewelry or similar artifacts that are obscene or distracting or that are likely to cause disruption to the educational environment.

Students may not wear facial jewelry of any kind, other than non-distracting earrings worn on the earlobe. Male students may not wear earrings at all. Any body piercings or tattoos, including temporary tattoos, must be covered at all times while students are under the school's jurisdiction.

Gang Attire & Grooming

Clothing, grooming, or any attire that identifies or connects a student with a gang is prohibited. The principal will maintain and regularly update a list of clothing, grooming, and other attire that has been identified as gang-related and will make the list available to teachers and parents for review.

Principal's Authority

The principal will determine if clothing or attire not addressed in this policy creates a distraction to the educational process and may prohibit that clothing or attire for his or her campus. Administrators have the discretion to determine the appropriateness of dress and grooming and to make special exceptions, including for religious or medical necessities.