

DRESS AND GROOMING Standards 2009 - 2010

Clothing, hairstyles, and accessories should not be disruptive, immodest, or unsafe.

1. Apparel and/or accessories that contain references to race, alcohol products, tobacco products, drugs, sex, vulgarity, death, suicide, the occult, or violence – either explicitly or by innuendo – are prohibited.
2. Apparel and/or accessories that denote gang-related association are prohibited (i.e., rags, bandannas, shirts draped over the shoulder, shaved/notched eyebrows, or other physical alterations as identified by local law enforcement).
3. Excessively worn, frayed, or altered clothing is prohibited. Rips in clothing above the knee are prohibited.
4. Extreme hairstyles are prohibited (i.e., Mohawks, unusually or unnaturally colored hair, excessively spiked hair, etc.) and students' eyes must be visible.
5. Males' hair must be above the collar in back and midpoint of the ear in front. Facial hair is prohibited and students must be clean-shaven. Sideburns shall not extend beyond the bottom of the earlobe.
6. Piercings are prohibited for males. Females may have piercings only in the ear. Piercing retainers (clear studs) and covering piercing jewelry with tape or bandage are prohibited.
7. Caps, hats, head coverings, and/or dark glasses are prohibited inside the building.
8. Exposure of cleavage, the back, and/or the midriff is prohibited. Tank tops and tank-style dresses are prohibited. Sleeveless tops must cover the entire shoulder and not expose undergarments.
9. Trench coats are prohibited at school and school functions.
10. Pants must be size-appropriate and worn at the natural waistline. No sagging pants. Clothing must not reveal underwear. Sleepwear, such as lounge pants or pajamas, and bike shorts are prohibited.
11. Pants, shorts, skirts, and/or dresses must be longer than the students' fingertips when arms are fully extended down the sides of the body. Shorts, skirts, and/or dresses worn with leggings must meet dress code length.
12. Shoes must be worn at all times. House shoes and shoes with wheels are prohibited.
13. Dog collars, choker chains, spiked metal items (i.e., necklaces, wrist bands, etc.), safety pins, wallet chains, and/or chains on garments are prohibited.
14. Tattoos must be covered at all times. Students shall not mark or draw on body parts or garments.
15. The administration has the right to appraise any current fashion or fad and determine whether or not it is appropriate for school.

If an administrator determines that a student's dress and/or grooming violates school standards, the student will be given an opportunity to correct the problem at school, immediately. A parent will be notified if the student is not able or willing to correct the problem, and the student will be assigned to In-School Suspension until the problem has been corrected. Repeat offenses may result in additional disciplinary action.

An administrator, in cooperation with the sponsor of an extracurricular activity, may regulate the dress and grooming standards of students who participate in the activity. Students who violate these standards are subject to disciplinary action and/or may be removed or excluded from the activity for a period deemed appropriate by the administrator or sponsor.