



Dress Code Clarification (2023-2024)

Policy 2651: Student Dress

The Board of Education expects student dress and grooming that aligns with community standards, so that each student may share in promoting a climate of belonging within which the value and worth of every student is honored within the school district. This expectation includes the school day and school sponsored extracurricular activities. The Board may require students to wear a school uniform.

Students shall observe modes of dress and standards of personal grooming that align with the educational environment and necessary to maintain an orderly and safe atmosphere for all students. Apparel is expected to conform to reasonable student standards of modesty, and as such, no excessive or inappropriate areas of skin or under garments may be exposed. No apparel or grooming is permitted that has the potential to incite conflict and violence, including, but not limited to gang-related messages, hate/bias symbols, sexually explicit, vulgar, violent messages, or advocating illegal activities. Further, no clothing or personal grooming that disrupts, or can be forecasted to disrupt, the educational environment is permitted.

Each school-level building within a school district can implement specific limitations based on considerations, such as grade level, activities, athletics, spirit days, class parties, etc. (i.e. some courses/programs may require a more structured dress-code for safety purposes, professional requirements, etc.).

Below are guidelines that would be considered universal school standards:

- Students may not wear clothing, jewelry, or personal items that:
 - Are sexually explicit or sexually suggestive, contain threats, or promote illegal or violent conduct such as the unlawful use of weapons, drugs, alcohol, tobacco, or drug paraphernalia;
 - Demonstrate hate group association/affiliation and/or use hate/bias speech or symbols targeting groups based on race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, religious affiliation, or other protected groups;
 - Demonstrate gang association/affiliation.



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- Tops (including, but not limited to: shirts, blouses, sweaters, sweatshirts, tank tops, dress, etc.)
 - extend to the waistline (shirt meeting pants w/ arms at rest);
 - undergarments should be covered
 - no see-through/transparent clothing
- Bottoms must be worn that provide ample coverage (including, but not limited to: pants, shorts, skirt, dress, etc.)
 - extend to the waistline (shirt meeting pants w/ arms at rest);
 - undergarments should be covered
 - no see-through/transparent clothing
- Footwear should be appropriate for classes/activities and be safe for the school environment (i.e. no wheels)