

Guidelines for Dress and Grooming

Students should dress neatly and appropriately. We recognize that everyone feels more at ease when properly dressed and groomed. To uphold the image of the school as a place of business, we have adopted the following dress policy:

Shoes must be worn during the school day and at all school events. **Slippers are NOT acceptable.**

Dress should be clean, neat, and appropriate in materials and styles for a businesslike atmosphere. No visual distractions in dress or accessories will be permitted, such as, but not limited to:

- Short shorts/skirts
- Tank tops
- Halter tops
- Spaghetti strap tops/dresses
- Half shirts
- Backless outfits
- Bare midriff outfits
- Pajama bottom pants

No well-recognized insignias emphasizing or relating to drugs, alcohol, tobacco, weapons, sex, nudity, or offensive propaganda will be allowed in printed or visual form. (e.g. jewelry, backpacks, t-shirts, etc.)

No dress or markings, which could be interpreted as gang related, will be tolerated, including but not limited to: do-rags, bandanas, tattoos, hats and/or clothing.

We do not permit hats on district property (including busses). The wearing of head coverings, including **hoods of sweatshirts and beanies**, is **NOT** permitted on campus during the school day.

We will confiscate hats if seen on campus and not return them until the end of the semester or year. We may confiscate sweatshirts upon repeated offense of covering the head with a hood. **(A parent/guardian may have to bring sufficient warm clothing without a hood for remainder of school day and or trip home.) Discretion will be used by staff on hood and beanie (not hat) use outdoors during cold weather.**

Medallions, religious medals, and beads are acceptable but may be prohibited in certain classes by the teacher as a safety precaution.

We will enforce the school dress code at **all school events.**

We will consider a student in violation of this code if their appearance or dress has some definite impact on the discipline or educational functions of the school or affects others. An informal committee of three office personnel will determine if clothing in question is appropriate. We will ask students to change if they are wearing inappropriate clothing. We will consider a repeated violation of the dress code insubordination.