

Dress Code Policy Policy 2200

3.1.1. The attire (apparel) and grooming of all students should be neat, clean, and safe.

3.1.2. Students have the responsibility to avoid apparel that causes a distraction or disruption, interrupts school decorum, and adversely affects the educational process. Students must also avoid offensive apparel that represents a risk or threatens student safety.

3.1.2.1. Printed apparel is acceptable only if it is in good taste. Any apparel displaying profanity, suggestive slogans, pictures, or graphics, or promoting substances illegal for consumption by a minor, will not be allowed.

3.1.2.2. Clothes that are mutilated or immodest are not appropriate for school wear. Dresses, shorts, skirts, shirts, and blouses should be modest in length and not revealing. (Tank tops, tube tops, and garments that reveal undergarments may be considered revealing).

3.1.2.3. Hats are not to be worn in school buildings during regular school hours.

3.1.2.4. Any apparel approved for school wear should be worn in accompaniment with appropriate undergarments.

3.1.2.5. Footwear must be worn and should be safe and hygienic. Shoes, boots, and sandals are considered suitable footwear.

3.1.2.6. Clothing attachments or accessories which could be considered weapons are not allowed.

3.1.2.7. Students have a responsibility to cooperate fully with clothing standards required for special classes (such as shop, home economics, laboratories, and physical education) and special school activities.

3.1.3. Extremes in body piercings, hairstyles, and hair colors may be considered a distraction or disruption.

3.1.4. Gang behavior, apparel, or grooming is not appropriate at school. (Reference Safe Schools Policy 2110)

3.1.4.1. As gang grooming styles and clothing continually evolve and change, the following prohibited items that have commonly denoted gang membership or affiliation are only representative of prohibited clothing. Additional grooming styles and apparel may be considered gang-affiliated, as identified in consultation with school officials and law enforcement authorities. Bandannas or any article of clothing or accessory bearing gang symbols, names, initials, insignia, or style of dress that indicates gang affiliation will not be allowed.

3.2. Consequences for violation of the Student Dress and Grooming Policy

3.2.1. A student in violation of the "Student Dress and Grooming Policy" may be sent home to make the changes necessary to comply with the policy. The student may return as soon as the required changes are made.

3.2.2. Students who dress or groom in a manner that demonstrates gang affiliation may be subject to suspension and/or expulsion.

3.2.3. Suspension from school may occur for continued disregard for the Student Dress and Grooming Policy.

3.3. Every school is to include the Student Dress and Grooming Policy in their student handbooks.

3.4. School employees are held to the same dress and grooming standards as the students.