

Liberty Hill Intermediate School

DRESS AND GROOMING 2009-2010

The district's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, prevents disruption, and minimizes safety hazards. Students and parents may determine a student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the following:

The District prohibits pictures, emblems, or writings on clothing that:

- Clothing, hairstyles, and accessories should not be disruptive, immodest, or unsafe.
- 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.
- 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).
- Excessively worn, frayed, or altered clothing is prohibited. Rips in clothing above the knee are prohibited.
- Extreme hairstyles are prohibited (i.e., Mohawks, unusually or unnaturally colored hair, excessively spiked hair, etc.) and students' eyes must be visible.
- Males' hair must be above the collar in back and midpoint of the ear in front
- 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.
- Caps, hats, head coverings, and/or dark glasses are prohibited inside the building.
- 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.
- 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.
- Pants, shorts, skirts, and/or dresses must be long enough to insure the modesty of the student. Shorts, skirts, and/or dresses worn with leggings must meet dress code length.
- Shoes must be worn at all times. House shoes and shoes with wheels are prohibited. Tennis shoes are required for PE
- Dog collars, choker chains, spiked metal items (i.e., necklaces, wrist bands, etc.), safety pins, wallet chains, and/or chains on garments are prohibited.
- Tattoos must be covered at all times. Students shall not mark or draw on body parts or garments.

The administration has the right to appraise any current fashion or fad and determine whether or not it is appropriate for school. If the principal determines that a student's grooming violates the dress code, the student shall be given an opportunity to correct the problem at school. If not corrected, the student shall be assigned to in-school suspension for the remainder of the day or until the problem is corrected.

Repeated dress code offenses may result in more serious disciplinary action. Appropriate discipline procedures shall be followed in all cases in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct. [See FO series]

The principal, in cooperation with the sponsor, coach, or other person in charge of an extracurricular activity, may regulate the dress and grooming of students who participate in the activity. Students who

violate dress and grooming standards established for such an activity may be removed or excluded from the activity for a period determined by the principal or sponsor, and may be subject to other disciplinary action, as specified in the Student Code of Conduct. [See FO series]