

Student Dress Code

A safe and disciplined learning environment is essential to a quality educational program. District-wide standards on student attire are intended to help students concentrate on schoolwork, reduce discipline problems, and improve school order and safety. Administrators recognize that students have a right to express themselves through dress and personal appearance; however, students shall not wear apparel that is deemed disruptive or potentially disruptive to the classroom environment or to the maintenance of a safe and orderly school.

Any student deemed in violation of the dress code shall be required to change into appropriate clothing or make arrangements to have appropriate clothing brought to school immediately. In this case, there shall be no further consequence.

Expectations for Student Dress

1. Clothing shall be neat and clean
2. Shoes must be worn at all times
3. Acceptable clothing, paraphernalia, grooming, jewelry, hair coloring, accessories, or body adornments are those that do not:
 - Bare or expose traditionally private parts of the body including, but not limited to, the stomach, buttocks, back and breasts
 - Refer to drugs, tobacco, alcohol, or weapons
 - Are of a sexual nature
 - By virtue of color, arrangement, trademark, or other attribute denote membership in gangs which advocate drug use, violence, or disruptive behavior
 - Are obscene, profane, vulgar, lewd, or legally libelous
 - Threaten the safety or welfare of any person
 - Promote any activity prohibited by the student code of conduct
 - Otherwise disrupt the teaching-learning process

Exceptions

1. Appropriate athletic clothing may be worn in physical education classes. Clothing normally worn when participating in school-sponsored extra curricular or sports activities (such as cheerleading uniforms and the like) may be worn to school when approved by the sponsor or coach.
2. Building principals, in conjunction with the school accountability committee, may develop and adopt school-specific dress codes that are consistent with this policy.

3. The District reserves the right to restrict the activity of any student around equipment or machinery or in any other situations where the student's health or safety is directly related to the manner of dress.

LEGAL REF.: C.R.S. 22-32-109.1 (2)(a)(IX) (*boards duty to adopt student dress code*)

CROSS REFS.: IMDB, Flag Displays
JBB*, Sexual Harassment
JIC, Student Conduct
JICDA, Code of Conduct
JICF, Secret Societies/Gang Activity
JICH, Drug and Alcohol Use by Students
JICI, Weapons in School
JK, Student Discipline
JKD/JKE, Suspension/Expulsion of Students
JLI, Student Safety