



## McKinney ISD Student Dress Code

Research has concluded that students are able to perform at their highest level in a safe and secure environment. A strong correlation exists between student appearance and the perception and/or reality of school violence.

The District's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, prevent disruption, and minimize safety hazards. Any disruptive or distracting mode of clothing or appearance that adversely impacts the educational process is not permitted.

The following are guidelines of dress and grooming on any MISD campus:

### **Clothing and Grooming:**

- Shoes must be worn at all times (slippers are not allowed)
- Shorts must extend past the fingertips; no biking shorts, cutoffs, boxer shorts
- Running shorts must meet the guidelines of longer than the fingertips, or no shorter than 3" above the knee
- Skirts or dresses must be longer than fingertips
- No trench coats
- No pajamas
- Pants, shorts, and skirts cannot be worn below the waist ("sagging" garments are not acceptable)
- No exposed underwear or undergarments
- Clothing (pants, shorts, and skirts) must not have holes or tears above the knee
- Spaghetti straps, tank tops, muscle shirts, basketball jerseys must be worn with an appropriate garment, (i.e. tee shirt)
- Tube tops, spaghetti straps, exposed midriff or cleavage, halter type blouses or mesh/see through shirts are not permitted
- No hats, caps, bandannas, hoods, hair nets, skull caps, wallet chains, or sunglasses

- Oversized, or overlong baggy shirts (tall tee's) are not allowed
- Yoga pants, jeggings, leggings, tights, exercise/training sportswear, excessively tight pants must be worn with a shirt or skirt that is longer than the fingertips
- Non-natural colored hair (green, blue, purple, orange, etc.) is not permitted
- Hairstyles that are disruptive (head and/or facial) are not permitted
- Items that display pictures, slogans, or language that is provocative, offensive, violent, profane, sexual, drug related, tobacco related, gang related or promotes death or hate messages will not be permitted.
- No visible pierced jewelry other than earrings unless the piercing is for cultural or religious reasons
- Swastikas, spiked jewelry (dog collars), spoons, or drug related items are not permitted
- Tattoos with provocative, profane, or offensive pictures or writing are not permitted
- Body paint is prohibited

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### **Disciplinary Alternative Education Program (DAEP)**

Due to student management considerations in the Disciplinary Alternative Education Program (DAEP) including, but not limited to, safety concerns and possible concealment of contraband, the following dress requirements also apply to any student placed in DAEP:

- White collared shirt with no markings; small manufacturers logos (1 inch or smaller) are acceptable
- Shirt must be completely tucked in at all times.
- White T-shirt may be worn underneath the shirt (no writing or pictures on T-shirt).
- Undecorated khaki or tan pants with belt loops
- Pants must fit appropriately and not sag.
- No distressed fabric—no holes, tears, bleach spots, logos, etc.
- No Cargo or Capri pants.

- No Shorts
- Belt: undecorated brown or black (no studs, jewelry, embroidery, etc.)
- No large or ornate belt buckles
- No inappropriate logos on buckle or belt.
- Shoes: Regular closed toe or tennis shoes with white or black laces
- No Boots
- No Sandals, slippers, or beach shoes
- Socks: white or black only
- Hair must meet the McKinney ISD grooming policy
- No jewelry at any time (exception: a watch may be worn)
- No oversized clothing
- No gang paraphernalia

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