McKinney ISD Student Dress Code

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 in accordance with the requirements outlined in the Student Handbook.

It is the campus administrator’s or designee’s responsibility to ensure that enforcement of this policy is done so in a consistent manner with respect to community standards and age appropriateness. While it is inevitable that there will be differences of opinion regarding the appropriateness of a student’s attire, the final decision lies with the building administrator.

Clothing and Grooming:
Students and parents may determine a student’s personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the following:

• Shoes or sandals must be worn at all times (slippers are not allowed)

• Skirts, dresses and shorts must extend past the fingertips; no biking shorts, cutoffs, or boxer shorts

• Pants, shorts, and skirts cannot be worn below the waist (“sagging” garments are not acceptable)

• Yoga pants, jeggings, leggings, tights, exercise/training sportswear, or excessively tight pants must be worn with a shirt or skirt that extends past the fingertips

• Clothing (pants, shorts, and skirts) with holes/tears must be below fingertip length

• 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 pajamas

• No exposed underwear or undergarments

• Spaghetti straps, tube tops, exposed midriff or cleavage, halter-type blouses, mesh/see through shirts, tank tops, muscle shirts, basketball jerseys must be worn with an appropriate garment, (i.e. T-shirt)

• No trench coats
• No hats, caps, bandannas, hoods, hair nets, head scarves, skull caps, wallet chains, or sunglasses

• A wig, scarf, or cap may be worn for medical exception upon approval

• Hairstyles that are disruptive (head and/or facial) are not permitted

• Earrings and nose studs are permissible; All other visible body-piercing jewelry or ornaments are not permitted 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

If the principal determines that a student’s grooming or clothing violates the school’s dress code, the student may be given an opportunity to correct the problem at school. If not corrected, a parent or designee may bring an acceptable change of clothing to the school. Repeated offenses may result in more serious disciplinary action in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct.

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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