

Dress and Grooming

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

Standardized Dress Code

Tops/Shirts

Allowed:

- Solid Polo, full button or crew neck t-shirt (short or long sleeve only) with no logos larger than 1 ½" x 1 ½"
- Shirts with stripes, plaid, and floral patterns that are not recognizable as pictures or objects
- Multicolored Shirts
- Military shirts that do not include a camouflage pattern
- All buttons must be buttoned except the top two buttons
- Shirts must be long enough to cover the stomach and back when arms are raised and stay tucked into the pants when seated
- Shirts must be appropriately sized in the shoulders, sleeves, and length
- Appropriate dress code shirts must be worn under sweatshirts and sweaters if they are removed
- Appropriate dress code shirts must be worn under any sheer or lace tops.
- All layers must be in dress code.

Not Permitted:

- Graphics that are recognizable as pictures or objects
- Camouflage patterns (military, college, and spirit shirts included)
- Lettering/words

Bottoms: Jeans, Slacks, Pants, Shorts

Allowed:

- Solid color – pleated or flat style jeans, slacks, pants (any solid color)
- Solid color – knee length walking shorts (any solid color)
- Pants/Shorts will be worn at the waistline at all times (no sagging)
- Pants/Shorts shall be worn at the proper length and hemmed at all times
- (no "ragging," "holes" or "tears")

Not Permitted:

- Hip-hugger, form fitting/leggings without appropriate top or dress, low rise, sagging, baggy legged slacks/jeans, bell-bottomed pants wider than shoes and/or oversized clothing are not allowed
- Wind shorts/pants, athletic shorts/pants are not allowed except as directed by the building principal

Dress & Jumpers (girls only)

- Jumpers and skirts may be worn with an appropriate top
- Jumpers, dresses, and skirts must be at or below the knee in length
- Jumpers, dresses, and skirts may be solid, stripes, plaid, or floral patterns that are not recognizable as pictures or objects
- Kick-pleats or slits must be hemmed at or below the bend of the knee

Footwear

Allowed:

- Matching footwear must be worn at all times
- All shoes must be buckled or tied appropriately

Not Permitted:

- House shoes, or para-military type boots
- No rollers or wheels of any kind on shoes

Socks, Leggings, Tights

- Leggings/Tights must be of a single color and worn under dress code bottoms
- Socks must match

Headwear

- Student shall not wear hats, caps, sweatbands, headbands with accessories/attachments/ears, or other head coverings inside the building

Outerwear

- All graphics, words, and content on jackets, sweatshirts, hoodies and other outerwear must be appropriate for school
- Kaufman/College spirit wear is permitted
- Trench coats and dusters are not permitted in the building
- Coats/outerwear must be appropriately sized in length, shoulders, and sleeves and must be worn in accordance with appropriate weather conditions.

Other Dress Code Guidelines

- Leather, suede, or vinyl materials are not allowed for any clothing other than outerwear
- Clothing may not be more than one size larger than the student's measurements; nor may the garment(s) be too tight
- Clothing items cannot be worn in any way that reflects gang affiliation, conceal contraband, or creates a distraction.
- Sufficient underclothing is required
- All clothing must be clean and free from holes or tears
- Accredited Jr. College and University t-shirts, sweatshirts, hoodies, polo shirts and jackets are acceptable
- Any top worn with leggings must be at knee length.
- Students requiring an alternate dress code for medical reasons must see an administrator

Hair

(Boys & Girls)

- All students must keep their hair clean, well groomed, and worn in good taste
- Students may not have a hair color that is not a natural color
- Notches in eyebrows are prohibited
- Students may not wear cut designs in their hair
- Rat-tails are not acceptable for any student
- No hairstyles that are disruptive (e.g., Spikes, Mohawks)
- Students must be in hair code to participate in extracurricular, athletic and all other school sponsored events

(Boys)

- Length restriction- boys' hair cannot extend beyond their eyebrows in the front, below ear lobes on the side, or below collar in the back
- Sideburns shall not extend below the bottom of the ear lobe
- Boys' hair cannot be pulled back into ponytails and man buns, etc.
- Mustaches are permitted; but must not extend below the top of the top lip, or the corner of the mouth. Waxed handlebar mustaches are not allowed. Mustaches must be kept clean and trimmed.
- Beards and goatees are prohibited
- Curlers, rolled hair, scarves, or other head coverings are prohibited
- Boys' hair can be braided but braids cannot extend beyond hair code restrictions for length or height/thickness
- Thickness of hair/curly hair styles may not exceed 3 inches in height/thickness
- No beads will be allowed in boy's hair

Jewelry & Other Accessories:

- Excessive make-up and/or jewelry are prohibited
- All tattoos must be covered and hidden from view (fake or ink drawn included)
- Jewelry which is used in conjunction with body piercing (e.g. nose rings, barbells, or tongue studs) are prohibited
- Students may wear clear spacers for piercings that are not allowed through handbook policy (KISD will not provide clear spacers)
- No heavy or spiked jewelry, belts, dog collars, heavy chains, spiked bracelets, or teeth grills
- Boys may not wear earrings, make-up, or nail polish
- Band-Aids worn over earrings are not acceptable
- Students are not to wear sunshades or sunglasses in school unless they provide a note from their doctor stating the need to do so
- No chains (log chains, dog chains, wallet chains, etc.), cords, ropes, or beads
- Ties may be worn with appropriate attire only
- Gauges and spacers are not acceptable for boys or girls
- Any "I LOVE BOOBIES" accessories are prohibited

Extracurricular Dress Code

- With respect to any extracurricular activities, the Administrator, in conjunction with the sponsor, coach or other person in charge of such activity, may regulate the dress and grooming of participating students
- Such regulation may include denying the student permission to participate in the extracurricular activity or to go on extracurricular trips

Non-Standardized Dress Days: Administrator(s) shall have the authority to waive the wearing of the student standardized dress or alternative/interim student dress code for certain days, parts of days, special events or special activities. Students who choose not to participate in the special days are expected to wear clothing within the standardized dress code.

Compliance: Any student who attends school in violation of this policy is subject to disciplinary steps as outlined in the ***Student Code of Conduct***.

Final Authority: Administrators have complete and final judgment on all matters concerning interpretation of the dress code. Matters concerning appearance and dress not specifically covered in policy shall be within the discretion of the administration.

If the principal determines that a student's grooming or clothing violates the school's dress code, the student will be given an opportunity to correct the problem at school. If not corrected, the student may be assigned to in-school suspension for the remainder of the day, until the problem is corrected, or until a parent or designee brings 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.