KISD 2023-2024 Dress Code

Dress and Grooming

The district's dress code teaches grooming and hygiene, prevents disruption, minimizes safety hazards, and maintains a positive learning climate. Students and parents may determine a student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the following:

Tops/Shirts

- 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
- Shirts must cover the entire shoulders, stomach and back
- No spaghetti straps, halter tops, tube tops, or sleeveless shirts
- All graphics, words, and content on clothes must be appropriate for school
- Layering of clothes is acceptable provided the combination meets the above standards

Bottoms

- Pants or shorts will be worn at the waistline at all times (no sagging)
- Pants, shorts, jumpers, dresses, and skirts must be no shorter than fingertips extended, measured from the top of any slit
- Leggings, Tights, Spandex material may not be worn without a covering that is no shorter than fingertips extended
- No tears or rips in any attire above the fingertips extended
- No pajama pants

Footwear

- Matching footwear must be worn at all times
- All shoes must be buckled or tied appropriately
- Additional restrictions may apply for physical education or CTE courses, in order to perform the activities in a safe manner.
- No para-military boots or shoes with wheels of any kind

Headwear

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

Outerwear

• Trench coats and dusters are not permitted in the building

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Hair

- All students must keep their hair clean, well groomed, and worn in good taste
- Hair may not cover the eyes
- Students may not have a hair color that is not a natural color
- No hairstyles that are disruptive (e.g., Spikes, Mohawks)
- All facial hair must be well groomed and not a distraction to learning

Other Guidelines

- Clothing must cover the individual in an appropriate manner
- 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 an educational distraction.
- No pictures, emblems, or writing that is lewd, offensive, suggestive, vulgar, obscene, or solicits racial and/or political discord
- No clothing that advertises or depicts tobacco products, alcohol, drugs, pornography, or any other prohibited item
- Masks will be allowed for staff and students. Staff and students will not be allowed to wear hats with face shields or face masks. Masks are allowed to be personalized by students but cannot include decorations that are inappropriate, distracting, or offensive
- No blankets or pillows are allowed on any campus

Jewelry & Other Accessories:

- Excessive make-up and/or jewelry are prohibited
- Tattoos of any inappropriate nature must be covered and hidden from view (fake or ink drawn included)
- Jewelry which is used in conjunction with body piercing (e.g. barbells, gauges, spacers, plugs, 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)
- Students are allowed ear piercings and one single nose stud
- Band-Aids worn over any 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 spiked jewelry, belts, dog collars, spiked bracelets, teeth grills, costume contacts and or furry related accessories
- No chains (log chains, dog chains, wallet chains, etc.), cords, ropes, or beads

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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

<u>Non-Standardized Dress Days</u>: Campus Administrators 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.

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

Repeated offenses may result in more serious disciplinary action in accordance with 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.

*Students requiring an alternate dress code for medical reasons must contact their campus nurse and/or campus administrator.