

COUNCIL POLICY

DISTRICT: Washington

SCHOOL: North Washington

TITLE: Dress Code

POLICY STATEMENT:

North Washington Dress Code- 2023-2024

All schools are primarily educational institutions; *no extreme form of personal appearance will be allowed to interfere with the educational process.* **Attention shall be given to neatness, cleanliness, and modesty.** Students, faculty and employees are expected to wear appropriate dress not only at school but at all school-sponsored activities and field trips including all athletic practices and events. Athletic uniforms will be subject to manufacturer's design.

It is the desire of faculty, students, and parents to establish and maintain a respectable, conscientious educational environment. Therefore, the following policy will be implemented at North Washington Elementary School.

Please Note:

Clothing, clothing accessories, book bags, and other school accessories should not display the following: Inappropriate language or pictures, sexual connotations, offensive ethnic or religious comments/pictures, references to tobacco, alcohol, drugs, or violence. Any item of clothing in which the contextual message of the article or the use of the symbol does not demonstrate prejudice will be allowed.

Grades Preschool-3rd

Bottoms

- All pants/shorts must be worn around the waist (not bagging below the waistline).
- All shorts/skirts, or dresses must be within six inches of the top of the knee.
- Jeans/slacks/shorts shall not have rips, frays, holes, or tears above the top of the knee.
- No sleepwear and/or house slippers are permitted.
- All pants/shorts must be free from print or graphics on the back (i.e. no writing is allowed across the student's bottom).

Tops

- Mesh, Jerseys, other see-through type of shirts, and sleeveless shirts, including spaghetti straps must be worn with another shirt underneath or over top of so that the chest, ribcage, and undergarments are not visible.
- All shirts must come within two inches of the collar bone.
- All shirts must cover the lower stomach and back and be worn appropriately.

Footgear

- Students will not be allowed to utilize Heely's or skate-like shoes; no skateboards or other items with wheels.
- Students will need to wear appropriate sneakers/shoes for PE days.

Headgear

- Hats/hoods, bandanas on the head, scarves on the head, sun visors, sunglasses, etc. must not be worn to school.

Accessories

- Students shall not wear chains from clothing or billfolds or wear neck key holders. Key chains or other items that dangle from a book bag may also not be used.
- No blankets are permitted.

VIOLATIONS GRADES PRESCHOOL-3RD

1. *Each teacher will be responsible for observing children and addressing dress code violations early in the morning.*
2. *With a violation, the student will be directed to the clothes closet or allowed to call parents to bring acceptable clothing items. If a parent cannot be reached or cannot bring a change of clothing, then the child will be given something to wear from the clothing closet.*

Grades 4th-8th

Bottoms

- All pants/shorts must be worn around the waist (not bagging below the waistline).
- All shorts/skirts, or dresses must be within six inches of the top of the knee.
- Jeans/slacks/shorts shall not have rips, frays, holes, or tears above the top of the knee.
- No sleepwear and/or house slippers are permitted.
- All pants/shorts must be free from print or graphics on the back (i.e. no writing is allowed across the student's bottom).

Tops

- Mesh, Jerseys, other see-through type of shirts, and sleeveless shirts, including spaghetti straps must be worn with another shirt underneath or over top of so that the chest, ribcage, and undergarments are not visible.
- All shirts must come within two inches of the collar bone.
- All shirts must cover the lower stomach and back and be worn appropriately.

Footgear

- Students will not be allowed to utilize Heely's or skate-like shoes; no skateboards or other items with wheels.
- Students will need to wear appropriate sneakers/shoes for PE days.

Headgear

- Hats/hoods, bandanas on the head, scarves on the head, sun visors, sunglasses, etc. should not be worn to school.

Accessories

- Students shall not wear chains from clothing or billfolds or wear neck key holders. Key chains or other items that dangle from a book bag may also not be used.
- No blankets are permitted.

Special Events

- Dresses/graduation attire will be consulted with dance/graduation sponsor for approval (i.e. strapless/spaghetti straps, etc.)

VIOLATIONS GRADES 4-8

1. *Each teacher will be responsible for observing children and addressing dress code violations early in the morning.*
2. *With a violation, 4th and 5th grade students will be directed to the clothes closet or allowed to call parents to bring acceptable clothing items. 6th-8th grade students will be directed to call parents to bring acceptable clothing items and will **NOT** have access to the clothes closet. After three violations, 4th-8th grade students will spend an hour in after school detention or Saturday School.*

Updated: June 2023