

Student Grooming

The purpose of dress regulations is to help students set a standard for their personal appearance which is appropriate within the accepted standards of the Fresno Unified School District.

Any apparel which draws undue attention to the student tends to detract from the educational process and is, therefore inappropriate. The policy #5132 approved by the Board of Education is as follows:

“School is a place where the best educational environment must be created and maintained. Dress of grooming of students which may obstruct or inhibit the instructional program is to be prohibited.”

All schools within the Fresno Unified School District shall, in cooperation with parents, faculty, and students, develop guidelines for student dress and grooming that will protect the health and safety of students and give due consideration to contemporary styles and community desires. Emphasis shall always be placed on neatness and cleanliness.

Appropriate Attire

Shorts: Shorts may be worn at any time during the school year. Walking, Bermuda, and long shorts are acceptable. Jogging/running shorts, short-shorts, baggy shorts or cut-off shorts with slit sides are not acceptable. Girls’ shorts **must be** as long, or longer than their finger-tips when arms are at their sides.

Pants: Jeans, slacks, or similar attire in good taste are acceptable. Pants that do not stay at the waist are unacceptable.

Tops: Blouses, sweaters, knit shirts, sport shirts or other appropriate tops of conventional design should be worn. No halter tops, bare midriff, tank tops, or see through blouses will be allowed. T-Shirts are acceptable, HOWEVER, shirts with inappropriate advertising, such as beer, liquor, vulgar or offensive pictures or writing may not be worn.

Dresses: Dresses must be appropriate for school atmosphere. Spaghetti straps and mini-skirts are not allowed.

Shoes: Shoes must be worn at all times and must be appropriate to enable the student to participate in PE activities and Science Lab. Sandals with a back strap may be worn **EXCEPT** on Science Lab day and students need to bring a pair of appropriate PE shoes as well.

Hair: No unusual colors sprayed or dyed into hair. Hair should not obstruct vision and must be kept clean.

Cosmetics: May not be worn at school

Hats: All hats must be removed while indoors. Baseball caps must be worn correctly when outside. Students who do not abide by the dress code standards for clothing and shoes will be sent to the principal to attempt to correct the problem to our best ability. The following steps will be taken:

1. Notification of Parents
2. Request for parent to bring a change of clothing to school.
3. School will provide a change of clothing if available.

All other dress code violations will be handled by the classroom teacher with a warning to the student and removal of make-up. We know that the school and home will work cooperatively to enforce these guidelines.