



Student Appearance at Mesa

The Mesa dress code highlights the following values:

- Students and parents/guardians understand their primary responsibility to appropriate grooming and dress, which contributes to a productive learning environment.
- Students are allowed to dress comfortably for school to engage fully in the educational process.
- Students understand that they are responsible for managing their own appearance.

Student Appearance Guidelines

- **Hoods, hats, sunglasses, and earbuds/headphones are OFF** when inside the building.
- **Shoes are required** at all times within the building. Soft-soled slippers are not considered shoes, also excludes roller shoes.
- **Appropriate CONTENT** - clothing free from profanity, hate speech, gang affiliation, drugs, alcohol, or weapons.
- **Appropriate COVERAGE** - clothing that covers the chest, buttocks and midriff. Undergarments must be covered, including bra straps if wearing a tank top
- **Costumes, costume masks, swimwear, onesie pajamas, pajamas sets, and robes are considered inappropriate** for school. Spirit days will be the approved days for themed apparel.

DRESS CODE VIOLATION STEPS:

Should a staff member find a student in violation of the dress code policy as outlined above, the dress code will be addressed by the following:

1st offense: Student will be asked to change and parent/guardian will be notified.

2nd offense: Student will be asked to change and conference will be set with parent/guardian.

3rd offense: Student will receive a consequence and parent/guardian will be notified.

School administration and staff will consistently enforce dress code policies as outlined. Dress code will apply to all students regardless of racial identity, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, ethnicity, cultural or religious identity, household income, and body size/type. Student safety and dignity will be respected at all times. Dress code will be addressed with parents and students individually and confidentially.