

2021-22 Student Dress Code



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:

- Hair and facial hair must be clean and neatly groomed. Hairstyles, which pose safety hazards in certain classes, may require that the hair be secured in such a manner as to create the least potential problem. Students may not wear hair rollers to school.
- Skirts and shorts may be no shorter than 3 inches from the top of the knee. This includes shorts or skirts that are worn with leggings. They must be 3 inches from the knee as well.
- Holes or rips in jeans, pants, or shorts that are three inches above the top of the knee shall not show the student's bare skin.
- Pants, jeans, and/or skirts must be worn above the hip bones (no sagging). Clothing must be appropriately sized and remain at the waistline.
- Visible body piercing (other than the ears and a small nose stud piercing) and related jewelry is prohibited. Prohibited areas of the body include, but are not limited to eyebrow, cheek, tongue, and lips. Band-Aids to cover jewelry or spacers are not allowed. Ear gauges are also unacceptable.
- Spiked jewelry including earrings are prohibited. Rosary beads worn as jewelry are prohibited. Earrings larger than 2 inches in diameter is prohibited.
- Tight fitting workout attire (tights, spandex, etc.) are not acceptable outside of a designated activity period such as athletics or P.E.
- Students may not wear attire such as leggings without acceptable clothing over them, or jogging/biker shorts designed for more casual settings. District approved shorts may be worn in physical education classes.
- The torso, shoulders, back, stomach, hips and buttocks must be covered. Tank tops, undershirts or muscle shirts are not allowed. Revealing clothing and see-through materials are not acceptable. Low cut necklines and/or revealing clothing including see-through materials, are not acceptable. All undergarments must be covered.
- Pajama and sleepwear are prohibited, including night footwear such as slippers and house shoes.
- Trench coats, long capes, and dusters are not allowed.
- Shoes or sandals must be worn at all times. All shoe types should secure to the foot from the toes to the heel. Flip flops are not allowed. For safety reasons, during recess and certain classes where open-toed shoes present a potential hazard, closed-toed shoes are to be worn.
- Sunglasses worn in the building are not acceptable, unless approved by the principal or as a result of a doctor's authorization submitted to the principal and nurse.

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- Hats, bandanas, sweat bands, or any other head covering are not allowed on campus unless specifically approved by the principal or designee. Unapproved head coverings worn on campus will be confiscated.
- Chains, billfold/wallet chains, large beaded chains, bicycle chains are prohibited.
- Tattoos that are considered a distraction or offensive are unacceptable.
- Observe the basic standards of cleanliness, modesty, good grooming, and dress. All students also have the responsibility to wear clothing, which contributes to their own health and safety as well as that of others.
- Any other article of clothing or accessory or hairstyle deemed inappropriate, unacceptable, inflammatory, and/or disruptive (such as clothing with lettering, pictures, patches, slogans, symbols, or advertisements that are distracting) may be confiscated by the school. Confiscated items may be claimed by the parent before June 15 annually. Unclaimed articles will be discarded. The district is not responsible for missing items.

The campus principal is the final authority on student dress and ultimately determines whether a student's grooming or clothing violates the school's dress code. The principal must do so in a fair and consistent manner for all students. In cases that a violation occurs, 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 GISD Student Code of Conduct.