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DISD Board of Trustees

DUMAS ISD STUDENT DRESS CODE Grades Pre-K through 6

The district's dress code is established to promote grooming and hygiene, instill discipline, prevent disruption, avoid safety hazards, and teach respect.

Student Dress Regulations

Each student will adhere to the student dress code at all times with the exception of designated days. Campuses may designate special days where changes to the dress code may be allowed in accordance with district guidelines.

UPPER GARMENTS

- Collared shirts
- Turtlenecks or mock turtlenecks
- Sweaters
- All upper garments must have a sleeve that covers exposure of the armpit.
- When standing, if the garment extends below the back pocket area, it must be tucked in.
- All upper garments for boys and girls must be worn in a way that eliminates exposure of the chest or cleavage, shoulders, back, armpits, midsection, and/or underwear.

LOWER GARMENTS

- All lower garments are acceptable except spandex, athletic, knit, nylon and stretch-type materials, clinging or transparent clothing.
- All lower garments must be at least knee cap length.
- Lower garments must be worn to ensure that the midsection is covered when sitting or standing and that they do not sag.
- Lower garments must be worn at the waist.

GENERAL RULES

- No restrictions on colors or fabric patterns.
- Shoes must be worn at all times. House shoes are unacceptable.
- Sufficient underclothing is required and shall not be visible at any time.
- Clothing must be in good condition.
- Clothing must be sized appropriately.
- Logos must be 4 x 4 inches or smaller on approved apparel, excluding outerwear.
- Campus logos have no size restriction.
- Students may wear the layered look as long as the primary garment is in compliance with the dress code. If the primary garment is in compliance, then students may garnish that garment with a layered look as long as they do not wear a t-shirt or spaghetti straps over the appropriate shirt.
- The district's dress code is in effect from the first tardy bell to the end of the instructional day (which includes after school tutorials and detention).

UNACCEPTABLE DRESS

- Baggy leg style pants or bell bottom pants wider than shoe length.
- Caps, hats, gloves, and head coverings inside the building.
- Sweatbands, bandannas, scarves, or hairnets.
- All clothing with pictures, emblems, or writing on them that is considered lewd, offensive, vulgar, obscene, or related to tobacco, alcohol, drugs, or other inappropriate substances.
- Clothing may not be worn in any way to reflect gang affiliation, conceal contraband, or create a distraction.
- Sweatshirts unless zipper type worn as outerwear.

JEWELRY, TATTOOS, AND HAIR

- All visible piercings, including tongue rings, are prohibited for both genders. Exception: Girls are allowed to wear earrings in their ears.
- Tattoos must be covered by clothing, makeup, or bandages.
- Spiked jewelry and chains are not allowed.
- Hair is to be neat, clean, and well-groomed so that vision is not obstructed, and its color, style, and accessories are not to be of a distracting nature.

EXCEPTIONS

- Deviations from the dress code for the purpose of promoting school spirit, DEF, holidays, or special events are left to the discretion of the building principal.
- 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. (T-shirts/sweatshirts not allowed as a variance.) Such regulation may include denying the student permission to participate in the extracurricular activity or to go on extracurricular trips.
- With respect to dress code variances based upon medical or religious reasons, documentation from a medical doctor or an established religious authority will suffice for such variances to be granted. All dress code variances must comply with the parameters outlined in this code.

DECISIONS

- The campus administrator will have complete and final judgment on all matters concerning interpretation of the student dress code. Matters concerning appearance and dress not specifically covered in uniform policy shall be within the discretion of the administration.
- Any clothing not referenced in this code is prohibited.

CONSEQUENCES

- 1st and 2nd Violations – Call Parent. Parents will be given the option to bring appropriate clothing, or the student will be assigned to ISS*.
- 3rd and Subsequent Violations – 1 Day ISS*.

*ISS – In School Suspension

When a violation calls for the student to be immediately placed in ISS*, parents will be notified of violations and consequences by written notice but not prior to student's assignment or placement in ISS*.