

Leander ISD

Dress Code for 2015-2016

The District's dress code is established to foster a positive and proper learning environment. Appropriate grooming, dignity of appearance, and pride all contribute to a successful learning environment. The dress code provides expectations which model good citizenship, teach grooming and hygiene, instill discipline, prevent disruptions, minimize safety hazards, and teach respect for authority. Everyone has a role to play in helping to create the proper learning environment. The District encourages students, with the supervision of their parents, to maintain high standards of dress, grooming, and personal appearance. Parents are encouraged to ensure that their student is in compliance with the dress code policy for the District.

Campus administrators are charged with enforcing the dress code. The campus administrators have the final authority concerning the propriety of clothing, hairstyles, and jewelry to be worn on school property, at school activities, or any time a student is representing LISD. Administrators will use their professional judgment in determining whether attire is inappropriate, distracting, or causes or may be reasonably expected to cause a disruption of or interference with normal school operations.

General Information:

- No clothing featuring pictures, emblems, writings, or slogans that are lewd, offensive, risqué, vulgar, obscene, provocative, or that convey hate messages or racially, religiously, or ethnically demeaning messages may be worn (including jewelry or accessories)
- No clothing or grooming shall disrupt the learning environment or create a health or other hazard to a student's safety or the safety of others
- No apparel or accessories shall depict tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, drugs or any other dangerous, prohibited, or controlled substance
- No attire that identifies, condones, depicts, or promotes a student as part of an unauthorized group, such as a gang *For more information about what constitutes a gang, please contact your campus administrator or local law enforcement*
- No clothing or accessories that promote violence, weapons, bombs, illegal acts, or anything that could be construed as provocative or offensive or otherwise distract from the learning environment, as determined by the administrators
- No extremes in any type of clothing, footwear, make-up, hair, or jewelry will be permitted
- No pajamas, sleepwear, or house slippers of any kind (except for designated days such as theme or character days, etc.)
- No clothing that is too tight such as spandex/lycra unless worn with a dress, skirt, or tunic (using the standards that are applied to shorts, skirts, and skorts)
- For safety reasons, tennis shoes (rubber sole, closed toe, and heel) are to be worn during Physical Education (P.E.). Shoes such as flip flops, boots, Crocs, sandals, etc. are not permitted during P.E.
- School-sponsored uniforms (athletics, cheerleading, dance teams, ROTC, etc.) are exempt from this dress code. Students who participate in extracurricular activities may

be subject to additional standards. The sponsor or coach will distribute additional requirements to participants

- No holes in apparel that expose any areas that are not allowed by this dress code
- For health and safety reasons, shoes are to be worn in the building. On special occasions with administrative approval shoes may not be worn.

Pants, Jeans:

- Shorts, skirts, and skorts must be at finger-tip or mid-thigh length as measured with relaxed shoulders
- Pants, jeans, shorts, skirts, and skorts must be worn at the hip and cover undergarments

Shirts, Blouses, Sweatshirts, Sweaters, Vests, Jackets, Coats:

- No strapless tops, spaghetti-strap tops, backless, halters, large armholes, or off-the-shoulder tops
- No low necklines (which reveal cleavage or chest area)
- No see-through or mesh shirts
- Tops must meet the beltline, and must not reveal undergarments or skin
- No full-length jackets and coats such as those commonly referred to as “trench coats” or “dusters”

Eyewear and Accessories:

- No sunglasses shall be worn in building
- No metal-studded collars, choker chains, armbands, wristbands, chains, or other metal-studded accessories are permitted

Headgear:

- Hats, caps, sweatbands, scarves, bandanas, doo-rags, hoods, and other headgear shall not be worn inside campus buildings without administrative approval

Consequences:

If a student’s dress is out of compliance, the following consequences may be imposed:

1st offense: Correct out-of-code clothing, warning, parent contact

2nd offense: Lunch, before or after school D-Hall, parent contact

3rd offense: In-School-Suspension (ISS) or Saturday Detention, parent contact

Should a student refuse to comply with directions to correct clothing or to attend Lunch D-Hall or D-Hall, the student will be deemed insubordinate and placed in ISS for at least the remainder of the school day. Repeated offenses may result in more serious disciplinary action in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct.