

PEARLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
2019-2020 STUDENT DRESS CODE

5/22/19

The Pearland ISD Dress Code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, prepare students for success, prevent disruption in the instructional setting, and maintain a safe environment for all students.

Pearland ISD sets the following general expectations for grooming and dress:

- Students should come to school bathed and wearing clothes that are clean.
- Students' hair should be clean, neat, and well groomed.
- Appropriate undergarments should be worn and not visible.
- Clothing and accessories may not be worn in any way that reflects gang affiliation or conceals contraband.
- Apparel and accessories with inappropriate writing, drawings, or advertisements, to include but not limited to, alcohol, tobacco, drugs, violence, occult, death, suicide, gang activities, sexual innuendos, cultural divisiveness, and racial intolerance may not be worn.

Slacks, Jeans, Capri Pants, and Skirts:

- Shall be a solid color excluding white, and skirts must be no more than 3" above the knee
- Leather, suede, vinyl, or sheer (see-through) fabrics are not allowed
- Shall be appropriately sized and fit securely at the waist
- May not be worn in any way that reflects gang affiliation, conceals contraband, or creates a distraction
- Athletic shorts, cargo pants, stretch slacks, sweatpants, jogging pants, warm-up suits, leggings (except under a dress, a jumper, or a skirt) and coveralls are not allowed
- Shorts and skorts may be worn in grades PK-6.
- Distressed jeans are allowed but not to the extent that skin is revealed.

Shirts and Blouses:

- Shirts and blouses may be any color including solids, stripes, prints, and plaids. No see-through fabrics allowed. Collars are not required.
- Spirit shirts must be campus/district specific, and may include college or professional sports teams
- Must have sleeves, be appropriately sized, and of appropriate length
- May not be worn in any way that reflects gang affiliation, conceals contraband, or creates a distraction
- Leather, suede, vinyl or sheer (see-through) fabrics are not allowed.

Dresses or Jumpers:

- May be any color including solids, stripes, prints, and plaids
- Must have sleeves, be appropriately sized, and no more than 3" above the knee
- May not be worn in any way that reflects gang affiliation, conceals contraband, or creates a distraction
- Leather, suede, vinyl, or sheer (see-through) fabrics are not allowed
- Solid or multi-colored leggings may only be worn under a dress, jumper, or skirt. Leggings may not be worn with just a long shirt.
- Revealing or tight, form-fitting garments are prohibited.

Hair:

- Must be clean, neat and well groomed
- Distracting colors are not allowed.
- Mustaches, beards, or goatees are not allowed.
- Sideburns must be kept neatly trimmed and must not extend beyond ear level.
- Head coverings such as hats, caps, bandanas, or hair rollers are not allowed. (An exception will be made for religious headwear)

Jackets and Coats:

- Sweatshirts, sweaters, windbreakers, sports coats and blazers may be worn inside and follow the same guidelines as shirts and blouses.
- Outside jackets and coats are considered cold weather apparel only and not to be worn in the building.
- May not be worn in any way that reflects gang affiliation, conceals contraband, or creates a distraction
- Full length jackets or coats commonly referred to as “trench” coats or “dusters” are not allowed.

Shoes:

- Students must wear shoes appropriate for school.
- House slippers, beach wear, or flip flops are not allowed.
- All shoes must include a back strap over the heel.
- Wheels, noise makers, or lights are not permitted.

Accessories/Miscellaneous:

- No more than two (2) earrings may be worn in the earlobe only.
- Nose rings, lip rings, tongue piercing rings, or other body piercing accessories are not allowed.
- Spacers or gauging of the earlobe are not permitted.
- Tattoos must be covered.
- Sunglasses or sunshades are not to be worn in building.
- Accessories with inappropriate decorations or advertisements are prohibited. This includes, but is not limited to, any item that depicts the occult, gang membership, death, suicide, violence, drugs, alcohol, tobacco, or racial intolerance.
- Heavy chains or accessories with spikes or studs are not allowed.
- Any accessory that could cause injury will be prohibited.

THE PRINCIPAL/ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL(S) ARE AUTHORIZED TO MAKE DETERMINATIONS REGARDING WHETHER ANY FASHION, FAD, HAIR, JEWELRY OR ARTICLE OF CLOTHING IS INAPPROPRIATE FOR SCHOOL WEAR OR DISRUPTIVE TO THE EDUCATIONAL PROCESS OR SAFETY OF THE CAMPUS.

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