

2023-2024 STUDENT DRESS CODE (Pre-K – 12th)
PEARLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

7/17/23

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 clean clothes.
- Students' hair should be clean, neat, and well groomed.
- Appropriate undergarments should be worn and not visible.
- Clothing should be appropriately sized and of appropriate length.
- Sleep wear (pajamas) is not allowed except for campus designated days but must comply with the policies in this document.
- Clothing and accessories may not be worn in any way that reflects gang affiliation or conceals contraband.
- Apparel and accessories, including face masks, face shields, or face coverings 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.

Bottoms: Slacks, Jeans, Pants, Skirts, Shorts, Sweatpants, and Athletic pants/shorts:

- Shorts and skirts must be worn no shorter than mid-thigh.
- Pants, shorts, and skirts shall be appropriately sized, fit securely at the waist, and shall not expose skin above the mid-thigh.
- Shorts or skirts must be hemmed, not cutoffs.
- Spandex, leather, suede, vinyl, or sheer (see-through) fabrics are not allowed.
- Cargo pants are not allowed.
- Stretch slacks and leggings (except under a dress, a jumper, or a skirt) are not allowed.
- Distressed jeans are allowed but shall not expose skin above the mid-thigh.
- Any student that violates these rules when wearing shorts or skirts, may lose the privilege of wearing shorts or skirts for the remainder of the year.

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.
- Spandex, leather, suede, vinyl or sheer (see-through) fabrics are not allowed.
- Will not expose the chest area, undergarments, or skin, which includes but is not limited to the midriff or open back.

Dresses or Jumpers:

- May be any color including solids, stripes, prints, and plaids.
- Must have sleeves, be appropriately sized, and must be worn no shorter than mid-thigh.
- Spandex, 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.

Hair:

- Hair must be neat, clean, and well groomed.
- Distracting colors are not allowed.
- Facial hair must be neat, clean, and well-groomed/trimmed, and worn in a style that is not distracting.
- Head coverings such as hats, caps, or bandanas 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.
- 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, slides, 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.
- 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.