

DRESS AND GROOMING STANDARDS



Rules regarding dress and grooming are in effect from the first day of school from the time the student arrives on the school campus until the student departs the school campus and through the last day of school. The dress code also applies to students who are representing Kirby Middle School as a part of a school group or organization outside the regular school day.

The dress code is established to protect the learning environment from distractions and to minimize safety hazards.

- Appropriate undergarments must be worn and appropriately covered.
- Sunglasses, combs, hats, bandanas, hoods, and other head coverings will not be worn in the building.
- When belts are worn, they must be buckled. If there is no buckle, the belt must be tied.
- Clothing or accessories with lettering, symbols or decorations that detract from the learning process or illustrate or promote alcoholic beverages, tobacco products, drugs, sex, vulgarity or violence either explicitly or by innuendo will not be allowed.
- Articles of clothing bearing words, symbols, color combinations, or any other recognized gang insignia, or uniforms will not be allowed.
- Shoes are to be worn at all times. Shoes designed for strings or buckles must be fully laced/fastened. Students must not wear shoes that pose a safety hazard.
- Students will not attend school with their hair rolled up nor will they apply makeup in the classroom.
- Hair is to be neat, clean, well groomed, and styled so that vision will not be obstructed.
- Hairstyles and hair color that create a distraction will not be allowed.
- Beards and mustaches must be kept clean and neatly trimmed.
- Students may wear earrings in ears only. All other body piercing objects are not allowed for males or females. For safety reasons, students may be required to remove earrings during class or extracurricular activities.
- Sheer or see through clothing will not be permitted.
- Dress code infractions cannot be covered up with jackets, sweaters, or sweatshirts.
- Students who are not in compliance with dress code standards may be allowed to call a parent to bring a change of clothes with permission from an administrator. Students who are not in dress code and whose dress code does not get corrected will serve the remainder of the day in ISS.

Kirby Middle School Uniform Dress Code Policy

Shirts

Style: Collared, knit, buttoned polo or golf style shirt – long or short sleeved

Color: All single colors allowed, solid stripes or plaids. **No see-through (sheer). No camo.**

- Approved Kirby spirit and organization t-shirts are allowed Monday-Friday.
- Logos must be smaller than a quarter.
- All shirts must be buttoned.
- No sleeveless shirts or halter/tank tops.
- Tucking in shirts is preferred but not required unless the shirt is too long as determined by the administration.

Hoodies and Jackets

Color: Solid color with a school-appropriate 2 x 2 emblem

- Hoodies are to be worn with the hood off at all times.
- A school uniform shirt must be worn under the hoodie at all times.

Slacks, Pants, Shorts, Skirts, Skorts, and Dresses:

Style: Pleated/flat front dockers-style slacks/pants/capris or traditional style denim jeans/capris

Color: Jeans – blue, black, or grey. Pants/Shorts – Khaki, Brown, Blue, Grey, Black. **No patterns. No camo.**

- Slacks/pants must be worn at the waist and be properly hemmed or cuffed/no tightening of pants at the ankle.
- Logos/labels must be smaller than a quarter.
- Sagging pants/jeans, leggings or 'jeggings' (tight, stretchy material) are not allowed.
- Stretch material, wide-leg, velour material, or jogging/yoga style are not allowed.
- Shorts, skirts, and skorts length must be no more than 3 inches from the top of the knee ***in the front & back.***
- Dresses/Jumpers must meet the same style, color, and requirements of both tops and bottoms.
- **Pants/jeans may NOT have holes, tears, slits or frayed edges.**

Shoes, Socks, Hose/Tights, Belts:

Color (socks): School appropriate.

Color (hose/tights): White, Navy Blue, Black, or flesh-tone (solid, single colors) – no fishnet or designs.

Color (shoes): Tennis shoes, brown or black leather-like shoes (tie or loafer-type) are allowed. No para-military-type boots. No flip-flops. No house shoes (slippers).

(SLIDES AND JANDALS ARE NOW ALLOWED.)

Belts: They are preferred but not required unless deemed necessary due to sagging by the administration.

Hair

Hair is to be neat, clean, well-groomed and styled so that vision will not be obstructed.

Hairstyles and hair color that create a distraction will not be allowed.

- Hair must be of a natural color. Administrative discretion.
- Beards and mustaches must be kept clean and neatly trimmed.

Other Important Guidelines:

- Leather, suede, and vinyl are not allowed except for coats, which must be taken off during the school day.
- Spandex, nylon, or stretch-type materials are not allowed.
- Clothing can be no more than one size larger than the student's measurements; nor may garment be too tight.
- Caps, hats, and head-coverings of any type (ex: bandanas) inside the building are not allowed.
- Cover-all pants, shorts, or jumpers are not allowed.
- Wind shorts/pants, athletic shorts/pants, sweat shorts/pants are not allowed except in PE/Athletics.
- Students must comply with district standards for grooming and accessories as outlined in the student handbook.
- Clothing items cannot be worn in any way that reflects gang affiliation, conceals contraband, or creates a distraction.
- Clothing that is torn, tattered (has frays), or has holes is not permitted. Clothing should be properly hemmed.
- Any tattoos of any type are to be covered. No spiked jewelry, large heavy pendants, heavy chains, or large belt buckles may be worn. Safety pins may not be worn as decoration or piercings.
- Makeup or finger nail polish should not be distracting for male students. Only natural makeup for females.
- Females/males are allowed to have pierced ears only wearing studs. No other body piercings allowed.
- T-shirts, hats, tattoos and other articles of clothing bearing word imprints, symbols, color combinations, or other recognized gang insignia will not be allowed.
- Purses should be no larger than 12 inches.
- It is recommended that ankle monitors be covered by long pants.

All clothing, no matter if standardized dress or not, must meet district dress code at all times.

Dress code compliance will be checked daily. Students need to arrive to school each day in compliance with dress code.

Administration has final say in matters not addressed specifically in the dress code policy.