

## Clint ISD Student Code of Conduct

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### **Dress Code**

In General: The district's dress code is established to teach grooming, hygiene, instill discipline, prevent disruption, avoid safety hazards, and teach respect for authority. Students shall be dressed and groomed in a manner that is clean and neat and that will not be a health or safety hazard to themselves or others. In order to maintain an orderly environment conducive to the attainment of the educational mission and purpose of the district, students shall be required to conform to a reasonable dress and grooming code. The provisions of the dress and grooming code shall be enforced equitably regarding all students.

The district stresses moderation in dress and the avoidance of distractions in the classroom. Any student inappropriately dressed shall be given the opportunity to correct the problem or be subject to appropriate discipline consequences. Parents may bring students appropriate clothing.

The Board of Trustees has determined that the use of school uniforms will improve the learning environment and has adopted the use of student uniforms as specified in the rules. The district prohibits any clothing or grooming that, in the principal's judgment, may reasonably be expected to cause disruption of or interference with normal school operations. A campus handbook may list specific examples of appropriate and inappropriate clothing, hair, jewelry, or manner of dress within the scope of the Student Code of Conduct.

The student and parent may determine the student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the general guidelines set out above and the district's dress code for students in the Student Code of Conduct. The principal, in cooperation with the sponsor, coach, or other person in charge of an extracurricular activity, may regulate the dress and grooming of students who participate in the activity. Students who violate those standards may be removed or excluded from the activity for a period determined by the principal or sponsor and may be subject to other disciplinary action.

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**All Students:** The following guidelines shall apply to all students:

1. No baggy style pants shall be allowed. Pants or jeans shall not be baggy or exceed three (3) inches of excess fabric at mid-thigh and must be worn no more than 1” below belly button. Pants or jeans may be frayed if they do not draw undue attention, show any visible skin, or if the frayed portion is from the student’s waist to the thigh area. The frayed areas should be minimal and any student who has gaping holes due to the frayed areas will change. Students may wear undergarments under frayed pants but must still meet the criteria above. Hardship cases shall be referred to the counselor. Pants will not be excessively tight (to include, but not limited to, “jeggings”) for all students.
2. The district prohibits pictures, emblems, or writings on clothing and/or personal property, and/or articles to include, but not limited to, necklace, earrings, backpacks and purses, etc. that are determined by the administration as:
  - a. Lewd, offensive, vulgar, or obscene,
  - b. Displaying advertising depicting tobacco products, alcohol beverages, drugs, or other substances prohibited by district policy,
  - c. Evidence or membership of affiliation in any gang/crew. Since such evidence fluctuates, a list of specific apparel not otherwise prohibited by the “Dress for Success” dress code that is considered by the administration to be evidence of gang affiliation will be made available to all students in the campus office.
3. Earrings may be worn by all secondary students - only on the ear lobe and must not bring undue attention to the student. High school students’ earrings must be of a “stud” type earring that is no larger than a pencil eraser and the earlobe must be visible. No jewelry, hardware, gauges or temporary materials may be worn on visible body piercing/tongue piercing.
4. Student’s hair must be well groomed at all times. Hair colors/cuts/designs that distract others in a manner that interferes with instructional activities are not allowed. (Natural hair colors: black, brown, blonde, natural red) Bangs no longer than to eyebrows for all students.
5. Overall pants and overall shorts are not allowed.
6. Jogging sweats or sweats are not allowed but may be approved by the campus administrator for special events.
7. Belts of excess length are not allowed. Belt buckles with initials or that distract others in a manner that interferes with instructional activities are not allowed.
8. Shower shoes, flip-flops, heellies, and steel toe boots/shoes are not allowed. Student safety while at school makes these types of footwear unacceptable.
9. No visible tattoos will be allowed.
10. Students are not allowed to wear any out of the ordinary attire (e.g. bandanas, spikes, gloves or dental grills). Hats will not be worn inside the building.
11. Footwear shall be worn at all times.
12. Students will be allowed to wear their game day uniform to include sweat suits on the designated day established by the campus and approved by the campus administration.

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1. Tank tops and half t-shirts shall not be worn. “Long-handled” underwear shirts are unacceptable as an outer garment. Any color t-shirt (with or without pockets) is considered acceptable. White under shirts will not be worn as outer garments. Shirts will not be buttoned to top button.
2. Students will not be allowed to wear skinny jeans.
3. Students will not wear caps or hats inside the building unless approved by the administration for an event. If a student wishes to wear a hat or head covering for religious purposes, prior approval from the campus administrator must be acquired.
4. No bare midriffs will be allowed (no visible navels). Undergarments are required when deemed necessary by appropriate personnel.
5. Any garment that is considered overly revealing by appropriate personnel shall be prohibited.
6. All clothing items shall not be made of transparent materials.
7. If tights or stirrup pants are worn, an outer garment must be worn and meet the guidelines for length of a dress or skirt. Tight pants (to include but not limited to “skinny jeans”) are not allowed. A pant is considered tight when unable to pull 1” from the thigh without pinching the skin.

**Elementary/Junior High/Middle School Uniforms (Pre-Kindergarten – Grade 8):** A student’s appearance has much to do with personal pride, conduct and the way students respond to each other. Student success and a positive learning atmosphere are also affected by appearance; therefore, the District is requiring “Dress for Success” for students in Pre-Kindergarten – Grade 8 as follows:

1. Uniform shorts may be worn throughout the school year. Shorts will be walking type and not below the knee.
2. Dresses, skirts, skorts, or shorts shall measure no shorter than two inches above the knee. Skorts and shorts will not be below the knee. Dress/skirts/skorts/shorts/pants that are navy, plain and undecorated denim, black or khaki may be worn.
3. Elementary students must wear closed shoes. No steel toe boots/shoes, heelies shoes or sandals are allowed. Middle/junior high school students may wear sandals. Students in grades 6 or 9 will follow the dress code of the particular campus where they are enrolled.
4. All shirts or blouses must be “Polo” style (no more than 3 button Polo shirts). They must be tucked in at all times with the belt showing. Belts must be worn.
5. Shirts/blouses in solid school approved color(s) shall be selected from district-approved colors: black, royal blue, navy blue, white, gray or red. (Undershirts-plain school approved colors only.)
6. School spirit shirts may be worn on designated days as determined by the campus principal.
7. Collared shirts/polo shirts shall not be unbuttoned below the second button from the collar or buttoned to top button on collar. This includes garments worn in place of a shirt. Shirts shall be worn tucked inside the pants. This does not include sweaters that will be

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- allowed. Shirts or sweaters with hoods are allowed, but the hood should not cover the student's head inside the building.
8. Hoodies, that are the pull over style, may not be worn inside the building for all middle school students.
  9. All student's hair shall be well groomed at all times.

**High School (Grades 9-12):** The following guidelines apply to high school students only.

1. Slacks, shorts, pants or jeans of any color may be worn. They will not be wider than 3 inches at mid-thigh. Capri, crop, flood, cargo, and carpenter pants are allowed.
2. Students may wear shorts year-round. Shorts will be walking type. Shorts/skorts/skirts will not exceed 3 inches above the knee or be below the top of the calf muscle. Shorts that are not acceptable include cut-off, home-made and athletic styles.
3. Shower shoes, flip-flops, heeies and steel toe boots/shoes are not allowed.
4. High school students are allowed to wear necklaces.
5. Students must "Dress for Success" at graduation. All students should make the effort to dress for the occasion. All student's hair shall be well groomed, piercings may not distract from the event, and should have tattoos covered for the event. Hair color must be a natural color as listed above. Any student who does not "Dress for Success" at graduation will not be allowed to participate in the ceremony.

### **Dress Code Violations**

If the administrator determines that a student's grooming or clothing violates the dress code, the student shall be given an opportunity to correct the problem at school. If not corrected, the student shall be subject to other appropriate discipline consequences as determined by the administrator for the remainder of the day or until the problem is corrected. Repeat dress code violations may result in more serious disciplinary action. Habitual dress code offenders may be assigned a uniform at the discretion of the administration. Appropriate discipline procedures shall be followed in all cases. See policy FNCA (LOCAL).