

# High School Dress Code

## Grades 9-12

### Student Dress Code (from Student Handbook)

- See Student Handbook at <http://irvingisd.net/StudentHandbooks>
- Also see Board Policy FNCA at <http://pol.tasb.org/Policy/Code/367?filter=FNCA>

Students shall observe modesty, appropriateness, and neatness in clothing and personal appearance. A student is not considered appropriately dressed if he/she is, or tends to be, a disruptive influence in class or at a school-sponsored or school-related activity because of the mode of dress or appearance. Any clothing, cosmetics, tattoos, jewelry, contact lenses, hair, or style thereof shall not be worn, nor allowed to be worn, at school or at school-sponsored or school-related activities if it is a disturbing influence in class or at school-sponsored or school-related activities and substantially interferes with the purposes of such classes or activities.

The following regulations concerning dress and grooming are deemed necessary in order to comply with the foregoing requirements for proper personal appearance and to avoid disruption of school-sponsored or school-related activities:

- a. All students shall wear shoes to school and to school-sponsored or school-related activities.
- b. All items of clothing shall be of such type and style and be worn in such manner so as not to unduly distract others or be considered immodest. Shirts must be full length. Mesh tops, tank tops, spandex or biker pants/shorts, cut-out, torn-out or unhemmed articles of clothing shall not be worn. Articles of clothing including accessories such as bandanas, belts, buttons, or jewelry referring to alcohol and other drugs, tobacco, profanity, sex, violence, gang membership, or displaying obscene pictures shall not be permitted. Backless or bare midriff attire is not permitted. Hats and caps are not to be displayed in the building. Except for the ears, jewelry on other parts of the face, including the interior of the mouth, is not permitted.
- c. Appropriate school attire (pants, skirts, dresses, jumpers, shorts, culottes, etc.) will be worn at all times during school hours and at school-sponsored events. For secondary students, the hem of the garment shall at least approximate the knee (no higher than two inches above the top of the kneecap) when the student is standing and wearing the garment appropriately. Pants, shorts, culottes, etc. must be secured around/about the waist. For secondary students, shorts must be "walking" shorts, pants and shorts must have a zipper or button fly.
- d. Each school campus of the district is authorized to develop a mandatory or voluntary plan for wearing of uniforms by students while at school. The plan must designate and provide for a source of funding to be used in providing uniforms for students who are economically disadvantaged. The plan should describe specifically the disciplinary sanctions to be imposed for violation of the uniform requirement. The plan shall exempt a student from the requirement of wearing a school uniform if the parent, guardian or the adult student provides a written statement that states a bonafide religious or philosophical objection to the requirement or any other reasonable objection acceptable to the Board. Any denial of an exemption is subject to appeal and to review by the Board of Trustees.

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 these standards shall be removed or excluded from the activity for a period determined by the principal or sponsor and may be subject to other disciplinary action as specified in the Student Code of Conduct. (See FO series)

Any student whose dress or grooming violates the dress code or campus uniform policy shall be removed from class until the violation has been corrected.