

DRESS AND GROOMING

The district's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, prevent disruption, and minimize safety hazards. Students and parents may determine a student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with the following guidelines:

The secondary school dress code for the students is as follows:

1. Shirts with shirrtails must be tucked.
 2. Shirts and blouses may be worn unbuttoned no lower than two buttons below the collar.
 3. Walking shorts may be worn by secondary students (grades 6–12).
 4. See-through shirts or blouses, sleeveless shirts and blouses without proper undershirts, vests without a proper undershirt, sleeveless undershirts without a proper shirt, and crop tops may not be worn. Sleeveless dresses, blouses, and shirts may be worn provided that undergarments are not exposed. Shirts, blouses, and T-shirts must not expose the midarea of the body.
 5. Low-cut, shoulderless, or string-tie/halter-type dresses, blouses, or shirts may not be worn. Length of dresses and skirts must be appropriate for school and not distracting to others.
 6. Caps, hats, helmets, or headgear shall not be worn unless they are required for an approved school activity. Bandannas are not allowed.
 7. Clothes and personal items printed or stamped with obscene, vulgar, or suggestive language or scenes are prohibited. Also prohibited is apparel, such as shirts, with drug, alcohol, or tobacco logos, symbols, or illustrations, or logos, symbols, or illustrations of any other substance prohibited under FNCF (LEGAL). (Examples are skulls, blood, and the like.)
 8. Hair must be clean and neatly combed. Style, cut, and color must not be extreme to the point of creating a distraction. Boys' hair must not exceed beyond dress-shirt-collar length. Hair tails are not permitted.
 9. Sideburns must not extend beyond the bottom of the ear lobe. Mustaches must be neatly trimmed. Beards and goatees are not permitted.
 10. Students are prohibited from wearing earrings, piercing devices, or strings in their ears or any other parts of their bodies. Girls may wear earrings on the ears only. No other body-piercing device may be worn.
 11. Grooming, combing hair, and applying make-up or nail polish is not allowed in the classroom.
 12. Steel-toe shoes (footwear) are not permitted except in shop areas as required by instructors. Shoes with metal taps or noise-making devices on the soles are not allowed.
 13. Students are not allowed to wear baggy clothing, including clothes tailored to look oversized and long belts.
 14. Overcoats and lined flannel shirts will be worn only during cold weather. Lined flannel shirts/jackets must be worn fully buttoned or completely unbuttoned (as per item 2). Unlined flannel shirts with tails must be worn tucked into the pants.
 15. Clothing style and cut must not be excessive in nature as to create a distraction or safety hazard.
 16. The wearing or display of gang-related colors or gang-related paraphernalia will not be permitted.
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17. Pants or trousers must be worn at the waist.
 18. Clothing and jewelry must be worn as they are designed to be worn (for example: straps on overalls must be worn on the shoulder). No chains are to be worn with clothing or wallets.

Mandatory Dress Code

The Edinburg school district has adopted a mandatory standard dress code/uniform policy for some campuses.

Campuses that are enforcing a mandatory dress code policy will provide students/parents with a copy of the specific requirements for that campus. For more information, please see the campus principal.

If the principal determines that a student's grooming or clothing violates the school's dress code,

the student will be given an opportunity to correct the problem at school. If not corrected, the student may be assigned to in-school suspension for the remainder of the day, until the problem is corrected, or until a parent or designee brings an acceptable change of clothing to the school. Repeated offenses may result in more serious disciplinary action in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct.

Excusing a Student from Mandatory Dress Code

As a parent or guardian, you may request that your child be excused from mandatory dress code. See policy [FNCA(LOCAL)], pg. 4 and 5, Compliance Measures.

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